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Tackling those Brick Walls

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Saturday Tidbits

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/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

1940 Military Draft

Courier Tribune

January 20, 1941

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*To Call 14 in February
For Army Service*

*Quota for Nemaha
County is Part of State
Total of 2,884 Men*

*Nemaha county's quota of
one many for the January
draft is being filled today
and a new quota has been
announced for February.
The February call is much
larger. It is for 14 men. The*

exact date they will go is not certain.

Reception center for Nemaha county men is Fort Leavenworth.

Leavenworth will receive men from a large number of draft areas, on the period beginning February 10 and ending Feb.

28.

Leavenworth will receive a total of 1,817 men, 884 will report to Wichita and 183 will go from Kansas to Omaha, to make up the state's February total of 2,884 men.

Arthur B. Harrter of Sabetha, who fills the county's January quota, was given opportunity to go to Leavenworth by train, starting from Seneca tonight, but is planning to go today by car.

Harrter works for Cook-Jones Motor Co., at Sabetha and will be taken to Leavenworth from there.

Half Pass Physical Exams

How far down the draft order list will Nemaha county's quota of 14 for February reach? Your guess is as good as that of any one else. The answer is likely to No. 140 or 150.

Of the first 340 men classified by the Nemaha county draft

board 69 were placed in Class 1-A as being subject to immediate call, if found medically fit. This is a proportion of approximately one out of five. However, about half of the men placed in 1-A are being rejected in the medical examination, making the proportion of those who are ready to go and fit as-well, approximately one man to every 10 registered. Selection of 14 men for February call may thus sift the best as far as Order No. 140 or farther.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 2, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BURKE, TENNESSEE

It's Saturday Night –

time for more Genealogy Fun!

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What is the most interesting record you have found for an ancestor?

This is HARD! Over time, I've found a lot of interesting records. Thus, remembering them all and then picking a 'winner' is difficult.

However, I have come up with an answer. While the record I selected is very interesting, I'm also picking it because of how I learned about it.

Do you use Ancestry hints? If so, do you follow the hints to 'stories'? While I do check out the leafy hints, I rarely add a 'story' as a source on my tree.

However, one of the hints for John Burke led to a story that by itself is very interesting. The story, 1884 Complaint Burke vs Brooks, identifies my great great grandmother, Angelina Burke as a granddaughter of John Burke.

1884 Complaint Burke vs Brooks

Posted 16 Feb 2012 by bparker1510

Transcription of the Original Complaint dated July 28, 1884 in the suit *John G. Burke et al. vs. R. V. Brooks et al.* Chancery Court of Jackson County, Tennessee Prepared by Robin Rankin Willis 12 March 2009 Transcribed from original document preserved on TSLA Microfilm, Jackson Co., TN Roll No. 53, folder titled "Burke John G. & others vs Brooks R. V. & others, Chancery 1884." Xerox copy made from FHL Film # 985,278.

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Against R. V. Brooks, personally, and as Executor of the last will of Richard P. Brooks, deceased, Caleb Roberts, Josiah Roberts, Meredith Brown, & Asa Denson, of Jackson County, Tennessee, and Matilda Long & her husband Lane (?) Long of the State of Kentucky, Defts.

Your complainants, aforesaid, complaining, state that they are heirs at law of John Burke who died intestate in Jackson County, Tennessee where he resided about the year 1842, leaving surviving him a widow named Jane Burke and the children whose names follow to wit: Henry F., John G., Polly, Permelia, William C., James W., Esom L., Francis M., Parazidia, Franklin P., Elisabeth, Elvira, America, Matilda, Jonas & Jane Burke, his only heirs at law.

Richard P. Brooks was appointed and acted as administrator of his personal estate and he has lately died and deft R. V. Brooks is his Executor appointed less than two years & six months ago. There are no debts against the estate of said John Burke.

Said John Burke the common ancestor of complainants, at his death owned several valuable tracts of land lying in Jackson County, Tennessee, on one of which he resided at the time of his death, and about 200 acres of

it, the homestead, was duly allotted and assigned by the Circuit Court of said County to his said widow as her dower, and a decree of said court duly entered to that effect, and she took possession of it as such and resided on it for a considerable time and until she conveyed it or transferred it in some way as such dower and estate for her life to said Richard P. Brooks who went into possession of and held it as such during her natural life, which terminated on the _____ of _____, 1881, less than seven years before the filing of this bill; and it has been less than seven years since the right of action of the heirs of John Burke dec'd accrued for said dower land.

Said dower tract lies on the Cumberland River on the south side of it and is bounded North by Cumberland River, East by the lands of Joshua Haile Jr., South by the lands of R. A. Cox & Hoover and West by _____ and lies in White's Bend of said river. The lines cannot now be given by complts but reference is to be had to the lines of said dower as laid off by the Court, the records of which were destroyed & burned up some years ago without the intention or knowledge of complts.

It is believed and so charged from belief that deft Brooks or if not he some of the other claimants under his testator the defts have a copy of the decree allotting the said dower. If so let them answer as to it & produce it & file it with their answer.

Complts further allege that some time after the death of John Burke their ancestor said Richard P. Brooks the admr procured some of the heirs to join him in filing a bill or petition in the Circuit Court of Jackson County against others of the heirs to procure a sale or partition of the lands of said John Burke not covered by the dower and under it they were sold in or about the year 1843, as now remembered, by the clerk & commissioners of said Court and they were purchased in by said Richard P. Brooks or at least part of them were bought by him, including that part of the home tract not covered by the dower. There was a large quantity of the lands & quite valuable.

At the same time of the sale of the other lands outside of the dower said Richard P. Brooks fraudulently procured a pretended sale of the remainder in the land covered by said dower allotted to the widow, and pretended to purchase it in himself at the grossly inadequate price of three hundred dollars, or thereabout, although there was no application in the bill or petition to the court for a sale of it and under the law the court had no jurisdiction to sell it – the widow being then living.

The Heirs were all then young and most of them, including several of complts & their ancestors, under 21 years of age, and all ignorant in matters of law and conveyancing etc, and all relied on and confided in said Brooks, the admr., who was a shrewd person, versed in such matters, and, afterward, if not then, a lawyer.

They objected at the time of the sale, in the presence & hearing of said Brooks & others there to the sale of the dower land, and contended that there was no application to sell it; but, Brooks fraudulently & wrongfully went on and had it sold & bought it in, over their objections, and, as they now believe, & so charge, for the purpose of cheating the heirs out of it; for, among other badges of fraud, he afterward admitted to friends, at times, that he had no title to it, and that it was really the rightful property of the said heirs.

He, soon after this sale, purchased of the widow her life estate in dower and took possession of it as such, and held it up to her death, & to his own death about two years past, acknowledging the rights of the heirs to the remainder.

Complts charge that during the time said R. P. Brooks so held and occupied said land, he committed and permitted great waste and injury to it, and to the injury & damage of the heirs, by permitting it to dilapidate, by bad cultivation and husbandry of himself & tenants, by taking down & removing the fences & houses, etc., from it to his other lands; by cutting down & removing & deadining (?) & destroying the valuable timbers of

which there was much; by destroying and permitting to be destroyed & injured the valuable orchards, to the damage of the heirs to large amounts. He also took the rents & profits of said land to large amounts, after the death of the widow, to which the heirs were entitled. And the other defts R. V. Brooks, Caleb Roberts, Josiah Roberts, Meredith Brown & Asa Denson have continued all these wrongs since, to the damage of the heirs. But the amounts of the rents & damages for which each or any of them is liable cannot be stated or ascertained without an accounti thereof; it being a matter of complicated account, fit, & fit only, to be ascertained by a court of chancery, and not fit or considerable in a court

They all claim under the title of John Burke the common ancestor of complts whose title papers are supposed to be in possession of deft Brooks, or if they are not they are so unintentionally lost or mislaid or destroyed that complts cannot find them & that the registration of them is also so unintentionally destroyed.

Said R. V. Brooks, Caleb Roberts, Nathan Roberts, Josiah Roberts, Meredith Brown & Asa Denson are the present occupants of said land, and claim it wrongfully, and refuse to give it up or, surrender the possession of it to the heirs of said John Burke, dec'd, or pay the rents & damages; though the heirs have duly demanded the same of them, and said rents and damages, with the interest thereon, are due and unpaid to the heirs.

Your complainants are informed & believe, and, so, charge, that Richard P. Brooks did not pay any thing for the said remainder interest in the land covered by said dower; and, therefore, he is not entitled in any event to any reimbursement. Yet, if it turn out that any of the heirs did in fact get any part of its proceeds, they are, respectively, willing to refund it & do justice, upon the land being surrendered or decreed to be given up to them; and they have offered this to the present occupants. But they refuse, as aforesaid, to surrender & pay. So, complts must sue for their rights.

*At the death of said John Burke the common ancestor of complts his said lands descended to his aforesaid children, then living, equally. After his death some of them died and some of them died leaving issue who inherit through them their portions of said lands, and they are as follows: **Polly**, a daughter of said John the common ancestor, married **William Darwin**, and died leaving children to wit: Leonidas Darwin of Texas, William H. Darwin of Arkansas, Hiram C. Darwin of Texas, George C. Darwin of Jackson County, Tennessee, Mary A. a daughter who married a man by name of Suite, but he is dead and she is a widow & resides in Texas; Elizabeth, who married Miles Kelly, and they reside in Kansas; Granville Darwin who died leaving one daughter Mary who has married _____ Carter & they reside in Jackson County Tennessee; Parasidia, a daughter, who married Alexander Taylor, & they reside in Arkansas; and Polley, a daughter, who died without issue after her mother died and her share descended to her brothers and sisters the children of Polly Darwin, aforesaid, equally.*

***Henry F. Burke**, a son of the common ancestor, died about Nov., 1845, leaving four children, to wit: Milton E. Burke, John M. Burke, Sarah E. a daughter who has married _____ Hornbuckle, all of the state of Missouri, and Angelina a daughter who has married _____ McCary who resides in Kansas.*

***Parasidia**, a daughter of the common ancestor, married W. W. More and afterward died intestate, leaving the following children, to wit: Elisabeth a daughter who has married James Padgett of Wilson County, Tennessee; Ella, a daughter who has married Alexander Buhler of Wilson County, Tennessee; Adda(?), a daughter, who has married William Bettis of Wilson County, Tennessee; & Lucy Moore, a daughter, of Wilson County Tennessee;*

***Permelia**, a daughter of the common ancestor, married Alva Graves, and they are both dead, leaving two children, daughters, to wit, Parasidia,*

who married _____ Lipscomb, and Permelia, who married _____ Lipscomb, all of the state of Missouri.

Esom L., a son of the common ancestor, died, leaving the following children, all of whom reside in Wilson County, Tennessee, to wit: William L., John P., Franklin P. & James R. Burke, sons, and two daughters, to wit Uhley, now wife of Henry Woolard and Sallie B. Burke, the said F. P., Sallie B., & Jas R. are minors without guardians and sue by their brother & next friend William L. Burke.

The following children of the common ancestor are living to wit **John G.** of Wilson County, Tenn., **Francis M.** of Texas, **Franklin P.** of Missouri, sons, & **Elizabeth** the wife of Thomas D. Simpson of Texas, and **Matilda**, the wife of Lone(?) Long, of Kentucky.

Elvira, a daughter of the common ancestor, married Otey Hopkins, and died, leaving the following children, her only heirs, to wit: W. _____ P., M. _____ D., John O., M. _____ E., Sydney, Andrew L., Nannie B. & Mary Ann Hopkins. Sidney Hopkins Andrew Hopkins Naney B. Hopkins & Mary Jane Hopkins (John Anderson & Frances) Anderson minors who sue by their next friend George C. Darwin.

America, a daughter of the common ancestor, married _____ Anderson, and died, leaving the following children surviving her, to wit: Judey & John Anderson, who reside in Jackson County, Tennessee.

James B. Burke, son of the common ancestor, who died, leaving the following children & heirs to wit: Jno R. Burke, Thos. Burke, Elizabeth Parker, widow of _____ Parker, and Marion Burke, citizens of the state of Kentucky.

Wm. C. Burke, son of the common ancestor, who died, leaving one child & heir Henry Burke, a citizen of the state of Kentucky.

*The common ancestor had one son named **Jonas** at his death and a daughter born in lawful time a few months after his death whose name was **Jane**, as now remembered, who both died intestate & without marriage or issue many years ago, before the death of the widow and their shares descended to the other surviving heirs of the common ancestor to wit those herein stated in the same proportions as the other parts of the estate descended to them from said common ancestor.*

Your complts further state that the said land sued for is not susceptible of partition among the owners of it owing to the number of owners being so great, for want of timber & water and being bounded and hemmed by adjacent owners' lands and by the natural obstructions so that roads & ways for ingress & egress could not be had to & from it by reason of all which & perhaps other good reasons the value would be much diminished so that it is not susceptible of such partition in kind without manifest injury to the owners and it would be manifestly to the interest & advantage of the owners that the land be sold and the proceeds partitioned among them. Prayer. The premises being considered, your complts pray that this bill be filed in said court, on behalf of Complts and of said Matilda Long & her husband, if they shall choose to avail themselves of its benefits under the rules of law & practice; that the persons named in the caption as defendants be made such by proper process & orders of publication etc; that they be compelled to answer fully, not on oath; that they answer as to the said copy of the decree & other title papers aforesaid and file with their answers if they have them; that upon hearing decrees be entered declaring the rights & title of complts & Long & wife and setting up their title to be complete in & to said land and vesting the same in them according to their several rights and that they be put in possession thereof; that the defts in possession & claiming the lands be held liable for the rents, waste & damages of the lands with interest thereon; that deft R. V. Brooks as Executor of the will of said Richard P. Brooks, deceased, and the estate of said Richard P. Brooks be held liable also for the same; that all proper & necessary accounts thereof be taken and reports made and all proper & necessary decrees entered to declare &

enforce the rights of said heirs or if complts have mistaken their relief that such other and further relief be granted them as may seem right & lawful.

As the rental is quite valuable and some of the defendants not solvent complts pray that a Receiver be appointed to rent out the lands and secure the rents pending the litigation and such orders made & proceedings had as may be necessary & proper.

Complts also pray that defts be enjoined from committing further waste or damage to the lands.

This is the first application for an injunction in this matter.

A. A. Swope?

D. A. Witt? or Mott? Solicitors for complts State of Tennessee

Personally appeared before Jackson County

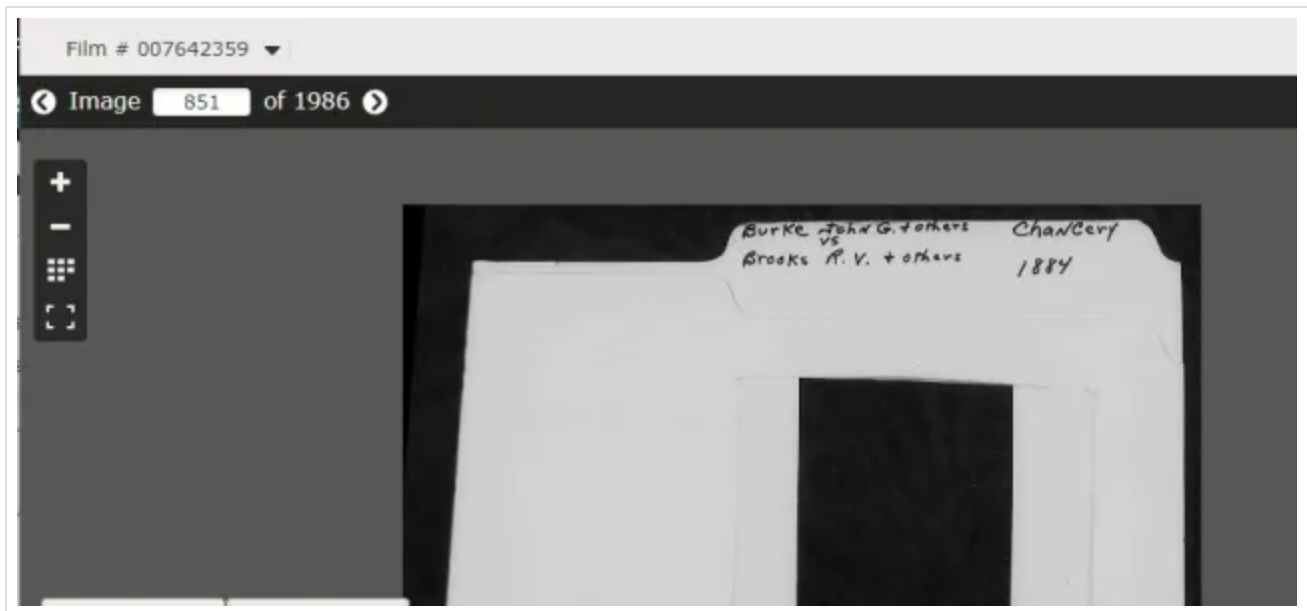
me H. W. Winn? Clerk & Master of the

Court of said county G. C. Darwin Jr.? one of the complainants in the foregoing bill and made oath that the facts stated in said bill are true as stated according to his information & belief. And those allegations made from information he believes to be true & subscribed this affidavit? before me on the 28th day of July 1884. Sworn to

G. C. Darwin Test M. W. Winns? Clerk

"1884 COMPLAINT BURKE VS BROOKS," TRANSCRIPTION OF COURT DOCUMENTS, BARBARA_PARKER1510, ANCESTRY.COM (WWW.ANCESTRY.COM : VIEWED ONLINE OCTOBER 2016), HENRY F. BURKE; TRANSCRIBED FROM FHL FILM #985,278.

Since this transcription contains the statement, "Xerox copy made from FHL Film," I was able to locate the original record.



Tennessee, Jackson County. Court Transcripts of the county, chancery and circuit courts, 1839-1915. Film #985278 DGS 7642359. John Burke, 28 July 1884; image 851; digitized images, FamilySearch <http://www.familysearch.org> : viewed online 1 October 2022.

Commissioner

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 3, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY, PEORIA COUNTY

When you come across a database that is actually an index to other records, do you try and locate those original records? As I'm creating research notes for Hiram M. Currey of Peoria County, Illinois, I'm finding a need to do just that.

At some time in the past, I used the record, "Index to Early Illinois Records. The only other information I wrote down about the source was "Z125-0054", which I think may have been the microfilm number used by the now defunct *American Genealogical Lending Library*. If so, then this source may source, "Name Index to Early Illinois Record" on FamilySearch.

One set of notes that I recorded from this source indicated that Hiram M. Curry was a commissioner on the conduct of the Pottawatomie. This information was found in the 1832-1833 Senate Journal. Thus, I started trying to find this Senate Journal. Once I figured out that this was the Eighth General Assembly for the State of Illinois, I was able to find the journal on Google Books,

In that journal there is a Commissioner's Report that begins on page 89, concludes on page 92 and is signed by the four commissioners, including Hiram M. Curry. Thus, I was able to locate the original document referenced in the index!



*Journal of the Senate
of the Eighth General Assembly of the
State of Illinois
at their first session, begun and held in the town
of Vandalia*

December 3, 1832

Vandalia: Printed by Greiner & Sherman, 1833

Available on Google Books

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COMMISSIONER's REPORT.

VANDALIA DEC, 13TH, 1832.

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To the Governor of the State of Illinois

*Sm-The undersigned appointed by your Excellency, and by Brigadier General Atkinson of the United States Army,- and instructed to repair to the frontier of the state, to enquire into the alleged depredations of the Pottawatamie Indians, upon the persons and property, of the citizens of that section, and to take certain measures in the event, that sufficient cause should appear, for the alarm of the inhabitants-
Beg leave to report the following statement of their proceedings, under their appointment.*

Pursuant to the instructions of your Excellency. and of Brigadier General Atkinson, the undersigned repaired to the settlements on and in the vicinity of Bureau Creek, in Putnam county, the theatre, as was reported, of the Indian outrages. They immediately instituted inquiries among the inhabitants, the results of which, verified by certificates, letters and affidavits of respectable persons, were, that the Pottawatamies had come down from their own lands upon the ceded lands in the possession of the whites, with the alleged purpose of hunting for the winter support of themselves and families. A large body, composed of about two hundred and fifty, including men, women and children, formed this party, They were in expectation of an additional force of one hundred, or thereabouts, of warriors and hunters.

This purpose of hunting, the undersigned are compelled to state, if

originally entertained as the sole object of the expedition, seems to have yielded to more unfriendly and mischievous notions.

The Indians have taken two horses from the white inhabitants; have shot another; they have killed the hogs of

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the inhabitants; have wantonly destroyed the hay, house and other property of the people, by firing the prairies, regardless of consequences, and in contempt of the frequent solicitations of the owners of property, necessarily exposed, to desist.

A highly valuable bridge, across the inlet of the Winnebago Swamp, has been burnt, under circumstances tending strongly to implicate the Indians in a deliberate and incendiary act of mischief and destruction. Menacing attitudes, and threat repeatedly assumed and made by the Indians, have excited the fears of the citizens, and the undersigned deem, upon an acquaintance with, and close observation of the Indian character, these fears well grounded.

It is the opinion of reflecting men whom we consulted, and in whose opinion we entirely concur, that unless suitable measures be taken to drive the Indians to their own country, or to awe them into peaceable behavior, some seriously hostile steps. towards the whites, in the course of the present winter, may be foreboded. Already, indeed, they, the Indians, have attempted to surround, in a body, to the number of thirty or forty, some travelers, and actually, it is feared, fired with too much an intention to kill, two guns upon them.

Although not literally instructed to hold any intercourse with the Indians themselves, for any other purpose than to notify them of the necessity of their prompt withdrawal to their own country, the undersigned deem it within the scope of their duties, to demand an explanation from the chiefs, of the offensive conduct of their people. They accordingly caused an assemblage of some of the principal chiefs and warriors of the Pottawatamies for the double purpose of hearing their excuses or justification, and warning them of the evil consequences of their longer remaining in the country of the whites. In the "talk" which was had upon

that occasion, the Indians denied the committal of the aggressions laid to their charge, and justified their inroad into the country by a permit, they said they had received from their agent at Chicago. The charges made against them, the undersigned deemed sufficiently proven, to justify the entire belief in their truth, this denial notwithstanding; and we accordingly advised them to fall back upon their own country, answering them that no offi-

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cer had authority to grant them any .such permission as they justified under. That they really had any written permit the undersigned had the assurance of the Indians, corroborated by the statements of some of the whites, who alleged they had seen the written permit of the agent. — The documents themselves were not produced to us.

On the part of the general government, the undersigned H. M. Curry, acting under the direction of General Atkinson, gave the Indians to understand that they must evacuate the country in eight days, or incur the displeasure of the United States. In this notification the remainder of the undersigned concurred: and all. now unite in the wish that it may have the effect to prevent the effusion of blood. Such was the state of alarm along the frontier, and in so daring a height had the insolence of the Indians arisen; that the undersigned believed, resort would have, ere this, been had to arms, had not the measures taken by yourself and Gen. Atkinson been adopted. The militia of the different parts of the country was in a state of readiness, and only awaited the orders of their respective · commanders to proceed against the Indians.

It had become unsafe in the opinion of some of the inhabitants, for females to be without the protection of their· husbands, fathers or brothers; and loaded guns were considered essential to the security of sleeping families. In the course of the talk held with the Indians they expressed unequivocally their willingness to exchange “their territory and move across the river Mississippi; and if it be not entirely inappropriate in this Report, the undersigned would express their sincere wish that the

government of the United States should as speedily as circumstances would permit, conclude this exchange, and effect the removal of these troublesome neighbors of our frontier citizens.

Nothing short of their removal will secure the tranquility and forward the improvement of that part of the state.

The undersigned were desired officially to communicate to you the grateful feelings entertained by the citizens o Putnam county, for the prompt interposition of your authority, from which, in conjunction with the similar exercise of his power on the part of General Atkinson, they anticipate some future peace and security.

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The undersigned found it necessary to procure the services of John C. Owings, who understood the Pottawatomie language, as interpreter.. They have given him a certificate of his services, which occupied ten days. Accompanying this Report, are submitted numerous letters, certificates and affidavits, together with a report of the talk held by us with the Indians to which we refer your Excellency for the details of our operations, and for the evidence we have been able to collect, touching the facts adverted to in this Report.

(Signed)

SAMUEL WHITESIDES,

HIRAM M. CURRY,

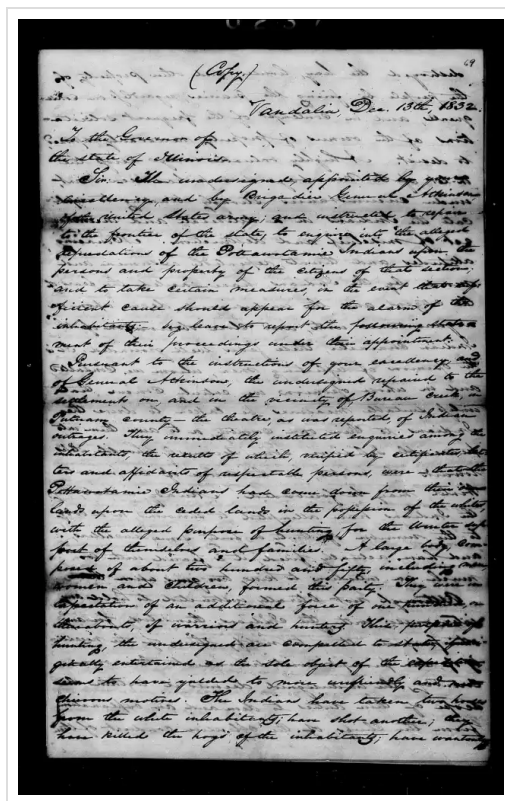
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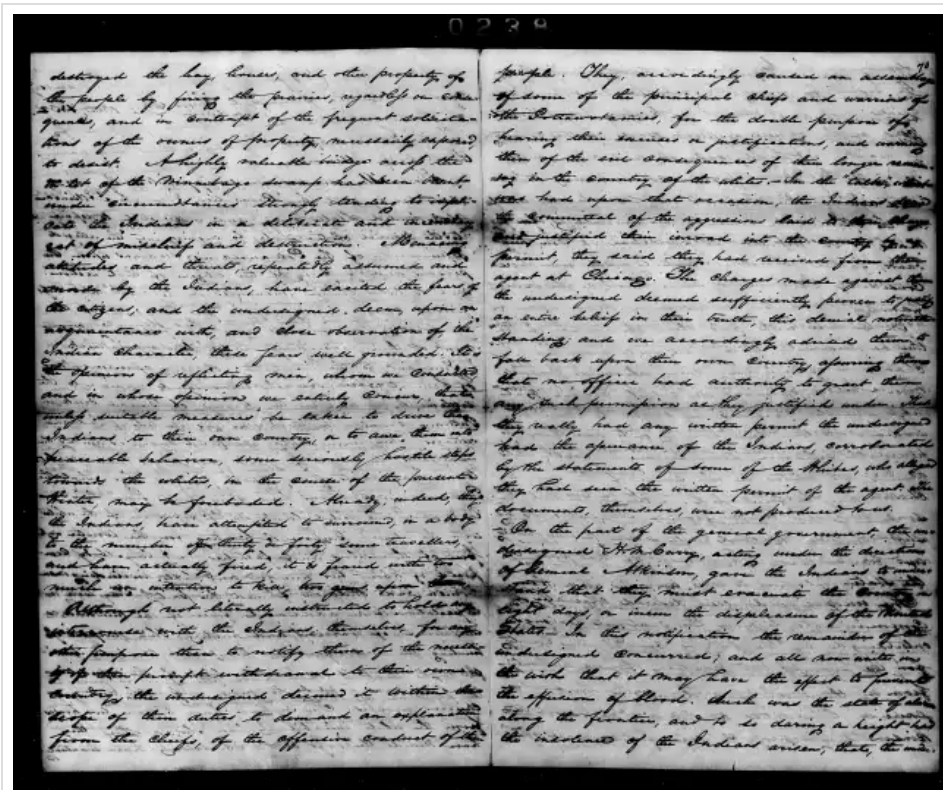
Commissioners

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE OF TEH EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS: AT THEIR FIRST SESSION, BEGUN AND HELD IN THE TOWN OF VANDALIA DECEMBER 3, 1832 (VANDALIA, ILLINOIS: GREINER & SHERMAN, 1833), P. 89-92; DIGITAL IMAGE, GOOGLE BOOKS, GOOGLE.COM/BOOKS VIEWED ONLINE 13 SEPTEMBER 2022.

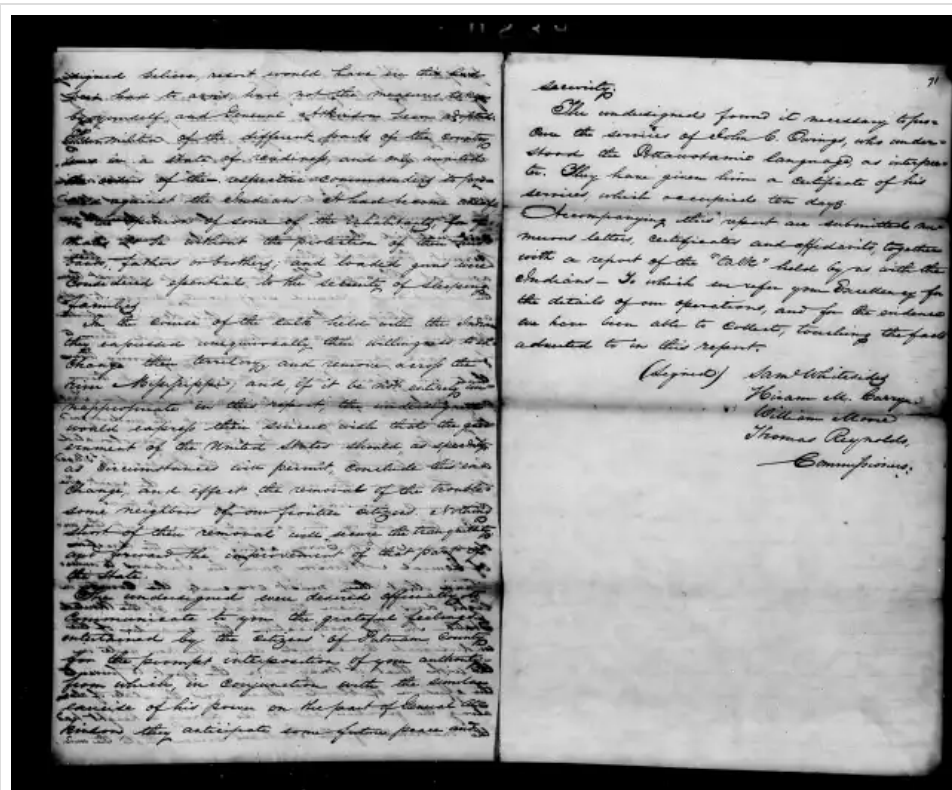
Not only did I locate the transcription, but I found the images!



Dec 1832 Letter from Gen.
Atkinson to Maj Hiram Curry;
Chicago Agency, 1824-1847
Chicago Agency 1824-1834
(NARA microfilm publications
M234, roll 132); Letters
received, 1824-1881; registers of
letters received, 1824-1880;
Washington, D.C.: National
Archives and Records
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image 243.



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Land Dispute

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 4, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY, PEORIA COUNTY

Have you ever requested land papers from the National Archives? Although I have quite a few potential requests that I could make, I've only requested a couple of them. One request was for the papers associated with the claim of Hiram M. Curry in Peoria County, Illinois.

While Hiram M. Curry filed for and paid for 35.36 acres in the south west quarter of section five of township number 10 north of the base line in range number nine East of the 4th principal meridian, the claim was contested by Isaac Underhill.

While several of the affidavits claim bribery of witnesses by Isaac Underhill, Hiram Curry's claim #8250 was eventually cancelled. These land entry papers are an interesting read and well worth whatever I spent to obtain the copy.



*National Archives
Land Entry File*

*Curry, Hiram M.
Certificate #8250
Land Office: Quincy, Illinois*

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*I do solemnly swear that I was in actual occupancy
of and raised a crop on the South west fractional
qr of Sec 5 town 10 North of Range 9 East of the*

*4th principal Meridian in the year 1833 and
that I was in actual possession and occupancy
of the same at the passage of the law on the 19th
of June 1834 and am still in possession and I
hereby apply to enter the same by preemption
agreeably to the Act of Congress n that care
made and provided
Hiram M Currey*

*Sworn to and subscribed before me n this
19th day of March 1836
Linus Scovill JP*

*We do solemnly swear that Hiram M Currey was
in actual occupancy of and raised a crop n the south
west fractional qr of Sec 5 in Town 10 North of Range
9 East of the 4th principal Meridian n the year
1833 and that he was in actual occupancy of the same
on the 19th of June 1834 and still is in possession
and that we are not interested or directly or indirectly
in his obtaining a preemption
Silas Allen
James Cannon
Harris (his mark) Whitaker*

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shall be entitled to receive a patent for the lot above described
Pre Act 1834
Saml Alexander Register*

*Charles of Peoria of lawful age agrees
and says in addition to his foregoing that he
has been acquainted with Hiram M Curry
since early in 1832 that in the latter part*

said year this deponent and said Curry were two of the commissioners appointed by the County of Peoria to locate a road towards Knoxville to pass on the North line of the above described tract that his deponent was then in the house of said Curry and has frequently been on the premises same and states of his own knowledge that said Curry has ever since resided on said land with his family Neither has he ever heard of his having had any other home during said time nor has he heard of any other person having a claim to said land until the last week

C Ballance

Subscribed & Sworn to

before me on this 30th

day of May 1836

J. H. J. P.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 19th day of March 1836

Linus Scovill JP

We do swear that the subscribing witnesses to the within preemption proof are persons of respectability and their oath entitled to credit

William Fletcher Thompson

Linus Scovill

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this

26th day of March 1836

Linus Scoville J. P

*I do hereby certify that the above named witnesses
are persons of respectability and their oath entitled
to credit
Linus Scovill JP*

*State of Illinois
Peoria County*

*To Wit – I William Mitchell clerk of the County
Commissioners Court for said County do certify that Linus
Scovill Esqr whose names appears to the foregoing certificates
was on the day of the date thereof an acting Justice of the Peace
in and for said County, duly commissioned and qualified
to record in my office; and that as such*

—

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*It is hereby certified, that in pursuance to law
Hiram M. Curry
of the County of Peoria and state of Illinois
on this day purchased of the Register of this Office, the lot or
South West fractional quarter
of section Five in Township No Ten North
of the base line Range nine West of the 4th principal meridian
containing 35 35/100
acres at the rate of one dollars and twenty five cents per acre amounting
to forty four dollars and
twenty cents for which the said
Hiram M Curry
has made payment in full as required by law,
No therefore e it known, that on presentation of this certificate the
Commissioner of the

shall be entitled to receive a patent for the lot above described
Pre Act 1834*

Saml Alexander Register

NOTE: CANCELLED written over top of document

Charles Ballance statement below above document

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State of Illinois

Peoria County

Clerks Office County Commission

William Mitchell clerk of said court

*do hereby certify that Linus Scovill Esqr whose
name appears to the within certificate was at
this time the same was made an acting Justice
of the Peace in and for said County duly
commissioned and qualified as appears of
record in my office and that as such full
faith and credit an act of right ought
to be given to be his official acts given
under my hand and seal
of said Court at Peoria this
25th day of May AD 1836
William Mitchell
Clk Co Comm PC*

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*We James Cannon and Harris Wittaker
do solemnly swear that Hiram M Curry
is not entitled to a preemption to the South
west fractional qr of sec no 5 10N 9 East
for which he has our evidence to his
preemption papers bearing date 19th March
aD 1836 We were altogether unacquainted*

*with the boundarys of said fractional qr
until a recent survey of the same
and hereby swear that said Curry
never cultivated any part thereof to
our knowledge as set fort in said
preemption papers*

James Cannon

Harris (his mark) Wittaker

*Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 24th day of May 1836*

Linus Scovill

Justice of the Peace

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*I William M C Bogardus hereby make
oath that Hiram M Curry is not entitled
to a preemption to the SW factional qr
of Sec No 5 10 North 9 East for which
he has my affidavit concerning I do
not want the Register to receive said
affidavit as there is a mistake in the
same and further that I swear
that the section lines do not
come within three or four rods of the
fence whee he states that he cultivated
the same, and further one of the witnesses
is Curry's own son; and the other is
under age*

W M C Bogardus

State of Illinois

Peoria County

I Lewis Bigelow, an acting

*Justice of the peace within and for
the county of Peoria, hereby certify that on the 23 day
of May AD 1836 the above named William M C Bogar
dus personally appeared before me and made oath to
the truth of the foregoing affidavit by him sub
scribed*

Lewis Bigelow, J. Peace

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State of Illinois

Peoria County

Clerks Office County Commissioners Court

William Mitchell clerk of said court

*do hereby certify that Lewis Bigelow Esqr whose
name appears to the foregoing certificate was at
the time the same was made an acting Justice
of the Peace in and for said county regularly
commissioned and qualified as appears of
record in my office and as such
and credit are and ought to*

*be given to all his official acts In tes-
timony whereof I have hereunto
my hand and seal of said*

*Court at Peoria this twenty fifth
day of may AD 1836*

William Mitchell

Clk

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*I Alexander Fosh being of lawful age and first duly
sworn testify that sometime in the summer of the
year 1836 in the town of Peoria I heard a conver-
sation between Isaac Underhill and another indi-
vidual respecting his at Rome on the*

Illinois River in which said Underhill boasted of having defeated the pre-emption of a settler in that neighborhood by procuring his witnesses to swear that their affidavits by which they established the pre-emption were not true. In that part of the conversation which was in my hearing he stated distinctly that he had paid one of said witnesses to wit William M. C. Bogardus the sum of two hundred dollars or four hundred dollars (I am not certain which) to procure him to go before a justice of the peace and recant upon oath his former affidavit My impression is that he did not give the name of the person whose pre-emption he had endeavored to destroy but he described it as being a fraction and otherwise so spoke of it as to leave no doubt that it was the pre-emption of Hiram M Curry to which he alluded and further this affiant saith not

Alex H Fa

State of Illinois

Peoria County

I William Martin a justice of the peace in and for said county do hereby certify that on the ninth day of November AD 183 person ally appeared before me Alexander H Fa and was by me sworn to the truth of the foregoing affidavit given under my hand the date aforesaid

Wm Martin JP

State of Illinois

Peoria County

I, William Mitchell, Clerk of the County

Commissioners' Court for said county, do hereby certify that William Martin Esquire, whose name appears to the foregoing certificate, was on

the day of the date thereof, an acting Justice of the Peace, in and for the county aforesaid, duly commissioned and qualified, as it appears to me of record in my office; and that, as such, full faith and credit are due to all his official acts. In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said court, at Peoria, this Seventh day of December 1839
William Mitchell Clerk

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I Charles Ballance do solemnly swear that shortly after Isaac Underhill had filed the affidavits of William M C Bogardus, and others in the land office to defeat H. M. Curry's right of pre-emption to a tract of land adjoining Peoria in the county of Peoria Ill that said Curry stated tome that said Bogardus had acknowledged to him that said Underhill had bulied him for the sum of four hundred dollars to swear to an affidavit contradicting his former affidavit which he had made to establish said Curry's pre-emption that supposing if said statement was true it was not of proof to the attention to it Until about two months ago said Curry informed me he could prove said by Alexander H Fash not having an opportunity to take his affidavit then and his residence being several miles from here I had not a convenient opportunity to take it until November 9th last past and it was not then forwarded to the general land office because I wanted to procure further testimony especially the testimony of Luther Sears who was an associate of said Underhill and who I understood from Fash knew all about it On this day I called on said Search who stated

*that he heard said Bogardus and Underhill bargain
ing about said affidavit. Underhill offered a price
to Bogardus if he would upon oath recant his former affidavit
Bogardus refused to do it for the price offered but agreed
to do it for a large price After or offers were
made and refused a sum was agreed upon and*

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*the affidavit was made out and sworn to by said Bogardus,
and the price paid by said Underhill, as he understood from
them both, but what was the amount paid said Sears
could not recollect. After said matter was arranged said
Sears stated that said Underhill explained the transaction
to him and told him that it was Hiram M Curry's pre-
emption claim near Rome that said affidavit was
taken to defeat. Said Underhill explained his having to give
so high a price for this affidavit to be that in addition
to the reluctance of the witness to contradict himself, he was
interested in Curry's claim, and it was necessary to give
him more then his interest to to get him
to swear against Curry Said Sears who seemed to know all about
the said transaction stated that he had "no doubt there was
perjury n the business." I then asked him I he would
give and affidavit stating these fact, to which he answer
ed that being a friend of Mr. Underhills he would not
give any statement on oath as the subject unless required
in a court of justice and in this case he would swear
to the facts as detailed to me and related above and further this affi
ant saith not*

Charles Ballance

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day
of December AD 1839. In Testimony whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and
seal of the county Commissioners Court*

*of Peoria County, State of Illinois this
day last above said
William Mitchell Clk*

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State of Illinois

Peoria County

*I Linus Scovill of lawful age being
fist duly sworn depose and say that I am the
Justice of the peace of said county before whom
the witness so were sworn who established Hiram
M. Curry's right of Pre-emption to the South West
fractional quarter o Section No 5 in township
10 North of the base line and range No 9 East of the
4th principal meridian and when James Cannon and Har
ris Whitaker were afterwards bought before me by
Isaac Underhill to recant upon oath the statements
they had formerly made I at first refused to
swear them to said last mentioned affidavits on ac
count of its apparently involving them in perjury
and I enquired of them their motive for so great in
consistency. They informed me that Isaac Underhill
and Jefferson Taliaferro (who had floated on said
Curry's claim) informed them that they (said Under-
hill & Taliaferro) had had said land surveyed and
had ascertained that no part of the field which said
Curry had cultivated in 1833 was on said tract
of land and therefore as said Curry had during said
year cultivated nowhere else they were quilty of perjury
in swearing he had cultivated a part of said
tract during said year and that said Underhill
and Taliaferro had threatened to present them for
perjury unless they would recant upon oath
the statements aforesaid respecting said Curry's*

pre-emption. I further state that I am well acquainted with all the parties and the premises in dispute that said Curry is a poor man who to my certain knowledge has lived upon the land in dispute ever since some time in the year 1832 until a few months past his family has

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been absent (as is said) upon a visit to distant relatives That I called to see said Curry some time the fall of 1833 and found him sowing a crop of what and had at the time a crop of corn and pumpkins grown The field he was cultivating was always understood to be the fraction of section 5 township 10 north of range 9 east partly on the NW qr and partly on the SW qr but having never surveyed it have not say possibly where our east & west line would run but have no doubt that the house and part of the field are on the SW fractional quarter Said witnesses are very young and could I presume be easily frightened or persuaded to make such recantation without any criminal intention I was at the time said Curry settled on said land living said neighborhood and have ever since lived there Given from under my hand this 28th day of January 1837

Linus Scovill (seal)

State of Illinois

Peoria County

This day personally appeared

before me William Mitchell

a notary public of said county Linus Scovill

personally known to me to be the identical

person who subscribed and sworn to the foregoing

*instrument of writing and deposed that the
statements therein made are just and true
according tot he best of his knowledge & beliefs
I also certify that the said Linus Scovill is
a man of integrity & credibility and that his
statements on oath may be relied on Given
under my hand and seal notarial
at Peoria this 28th January AD 1837
William Mitchell
Not Pub PC*

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State of Illinois

Peoria County

*I William Mitchell Clerk of the County Commissioners
Court with & for said county do hereby certify that
Thomas Phillips Esqr is the County Surveyor within and for the county
of Peoria aforesaid (duly commissioned & qualified) that his commission
was dated on the 12th day of August A.D. 1835 and will expire in
August 1839 as it appears to me of record in my office and
that his signature to the foregoing certificate is genuine
In testimony whereof I have herein set
my hand and seal of said Court at
Peoria this 15 day of May AD 1838
William Mitchell Clerk*

*I Charles Ballance upon oath do state that the above certificate of
Thomas Phillips as signed by him in my presence
C Ballance
Subscribed & sworn to before me
this 15 day of May AD 1838
William Mitchell
Clk County Commissioners*

Court Peoria County

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Surveyor's Office

Peoria County

State of Illinois

I Thomas Phillips sur-

veyor of said county do

hereby certify that I have

surveyed section No five in township ten

North of the base line and range nine East of the

fourth principal meridian according to

the original field notes or copy of which I

have procured from the surveyor General

office at St. Louis and find by accurate

measurement that the East and West line run

ning through the middle of said section

runs through the field said to have been

cultivated by Hiram M. Curry in the year

1833 dividing it in such a manner as to throw

a part of said cultivation on the South

West fractional quarter and the residue which

is much the larger portion on the North

West fraction quarter of said section Given

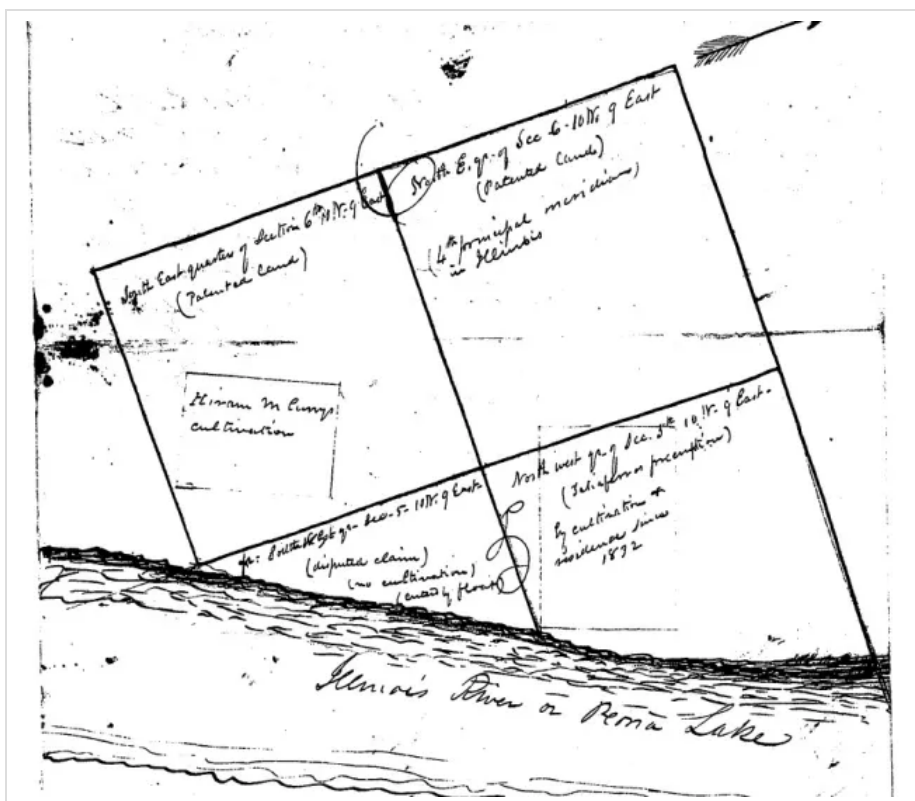
from under my hand at my office this 26

day of November 1836

Thomas Phillips

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survey map



State of Illinois

Peoria County

I Thomas Phillips County Surveyor within & for the aforesaid county; do hereby state on oath that I surveyed in the year 1837 fractional section 5 10 North, Range 9 East of the 4 principal meridian; and that no part of the south west fractional quarter, of the fractional section aforesaid appearance of ever having been enclosed or cultivated. The cultivation by which

it appears Hiram M Curry proved a right of preemption to the said fractional

quarter was on the adjoining quarter. The nearest part of the said cultivation

doe not come within fourteen chains of the fractional quarter claimed by Curry..

Deponent further states that a certificate signed by himself and forwarded to the

Commissioners of the general land office, certifying that Curry's improvements

were on said fraction aforesaid; was an practised on said deponent

by one Charles Ballance of Peoria, Ills; and that said deponent signed the same

without fully understanding the contents of said certificate; said deponent further states from the best of his knowledge & belief the above plat of said fractional qr claimed by Curry is a correct one: Given under my hand this twenty fourth day of May in the year

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One Thousand Eight Hundred & thirty Eight

Receiver's Office, Quincy, Illinois

No. 8250

May 30, 1836

Received from Hiram M Curry

Peoria County, Illinois the sum of

Forty four

dollars and twenty cents, being in full payment for the

South wet fractional

quarter of section No. five

Township No. Ten north of the base line of Range NO. nine

East of the 4th principal meridian, containing thirty five

acres, and 36/100 of an acre, at the rate of one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre

\$44.20

Thos Carlin Receiver

Pre act 1834

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Canceled

Certificate

8250

and proof belonging thereto

Certificate Canceled

*letter to R&R 3d Oct
1838 also letter
from the Hon John T Stuart
dated 30 Dec 1839 X Comm &
reply of 2d Jany 1840 & letter
of same date to R & R*

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No. 8250

30 day of May 183

I Hiram M Curry

of Peoria

*County of Illinois do hereby apply for the purchase of the South
West fractional qr of section numbered five
in township numbered ten north of range numbered
nine east of the fourth principal meridian,
containing thirty five 36/100 acres,
according to the returns of the Surveyor General, for which I have agreed
with the Register to
give at the rate of one dollar and twenty five cents per acre.*

*I, Samuel Alexander, Register of teh land Office at quincy, Illinois, do
hereby*

*certify that the quarter section above descried contains 35 36
acres, as mentioned; and that the price agreed upon is \$1 25 per acre*

Pre Act 1834

Conflicting 7392

Saml Alexander Register

Divorced Part 2

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 5, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BRILES, COFFEY COUNTY KANSAS

Do you remember the days of snail mail? Thanks to a comment made by a reader of my previous post, *Divorced*, I used snail mail to seek out copies of the marriage and application for divorce. Thanks to the kindly service of the employees in the Coffey County Clerk's office and the office of the Clerk of the District Court Office located in Coffey County, I received copies of the records in the mail!

Alexander Briles married Elizabeth M. Eworth were married in Coffey County Kansas on May 30, 1875.

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*Coffey County Kansas
Fourth Judicial District of Kansas
Clerk of District Court*

*Marriage License
Probate Judge's Office
Burlington, Coffey County, Kansas*

*May 28 A.D. 1875
To any person authorized by law to perform the Marriage Ceremony,
Greeting:
You are hereby authorized to join in marriage Alexander
Briles of Neosho twp County of Coffey
State of Kansas aged 57 years, and Elizabeth
Elorth of Neosho Twp County of Coffey*

*State of Kansas aged 51 years; and of this License
you will make due return to my office within thirty days.
Wm. A. Allison Probate Judge*

Return

State of Kansas

Coffey County

*I certify that on the 30th day of May 1875, I did join in marriage the
within named Alexander Briles and Elizabeth Elsworth*

D. T. McAuly

Minister of the Gospel

*I hereby certify the above to be a true copy of Marriage License and
return recorded this*

31 day of May 1875

Wm A Allison Probate Judge

**COFFEY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MARRIAGE LICENSE, , BRILES - ELSWORTH, 30 MAY
1875; FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF KANSAS, BURLINGTON, KANSAS.**

Then in 1879, Alexander Briles files for divorce in Coffey County Court. Even though these old court records were difficult to transcribe, it is obvious this was not a happy marriage.

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Fourth Judicial District of Kansas

Clerk of the District Court

Coffey County Courthouse

Burlington, KS

No. 1042

Alexander Briles

Vs Elizabeth M. Briles

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Alex Briles

vs

Elizabeth M Briles

1042

Filed Dec. 2

1879

R Hadam

Clerk

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State of Kansas

Coffey County

In District Court

in & for said county

Alexander Briles

vs

Elizabeth M. Briles

The Plaintiff says

*That he has been a resident in good
faith of the State of Kansas for more
than one year past, and that he is
now a resident in good faith of the said
County of Coffey*

*That on the 30th day of May 1875
the said plaintiff and defendant
were married to each other*

County of Coffey

*The plaintiff further that since
said Marriage this plaintiff has in
all himself toward said
defendant as a faithful and loving
husband*

The plaintiff further says that the said defendant

*has been guilty of neglect of neglect of the place of
that defendant disregar her marital duties
to this plaintiff her husband has failed
neglected and refused to cohabit with the
plaintiff her husband for the space of
more than one year last and still
so neglects fails and refuses to cohabit with
this plaintiff without any just cause or
wife no part of this plaintiff
plaintiff prays the court that*

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the parties hereto named be divorced
the marriage relation existing
between them be annulled & set
for proper] sale of
R. & Jenkins
Pltf attys*

*Alexander Briles being first duly sworn
on oath says that the matters
and things set forth and aversed in the
the foregoing are true
Alexander Briles*

*Subscribed & Sworn to before me this
2d day of December 1879
R Hadam
Clerk Dist Court*

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State of Kansas
Coffey County
In District Court*

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Alexander Briles

vs

Elizabeth M. Briles

Came the said defendant

and the issuing and of

in the {cal?} the

and her therein

rose for to said plaintiffs position

This defendant denies each and

every allegation in said petition

The said defendant further says

that said defendant has been a

resident in good faith of the state of

Kansas for more than one year

last past & is now at the of the

filing of the petition & of the

herein a resident in good faith of said

county of Coffey

Deft further says that the said plaintiff

& defendant were married to each other

said Coffey County on the May 30

1875 and that

said marriage She has in all things

conducted herself married to

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plaintiff as a faithful loving and

obedient wife

the said plaintiff

his duties toward

his wife, has been guilty of extreme

*cruelty toward this defendant
any just cause
The said defendant further says
that said plaintiff has been guilty of
gross neglect of duty towards this
defendanty his wife without any
just cause or provocation on her
part.*

*Whereupon this defendant prays
that she may be severed from said
plaintiff and for proper relief
Elizabeth M. Briles*

*Elizabeth M. Briles being first
duly sworn says that the several
matters and things set forth in her
are true*

*Elizabeth M Briles
Subscribed to & sworn before me
2d day of December 1879
E B Peyton
Judges*

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Filed Dec 2
1879
R Hadam
Clerk
Docket I*

**FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF KANSAS, COFFEY COUNTY, KANSAS, NO. 1042:
ALEXANDER BRILES VS. ELIZABETH M. BRILES, CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT OFFICE,
BURLINGTON, KANSAS.**

State of Kansas, Judicial Court
Coffey County, ss. in and for the County of
Alexander Briles vs. }
Elizabeth H. Briles }
Plaintiff vs. Defendant
The Plaintiff says:
That he has been a resident in good
faith of the State of Kansas for more
than one year last past, and that he is
now a resident in good faith of the said
County of Coffey.
That on the 20th day of May 1895
the said Plaintiff and Defendant
were married each other at
County of Coffey.
The Plaintiff further says that ever
since said marriage the Plaintiff has in
all things considered himself towards said
Defendant as a faithful and loving
husband.
The Plaintiff further says that the said Defendant
has been guilty of gross neglect and ill-treatment
towards the Plaintiff, and that she has
been guilty of gross neglect and ill-treatment
towards the Plaintiff, her husband, and that
neglect and ill-treatment is of such a nature
that the Plaintiff has been forced for the space
more than one year last past, and still
is neglect, fails and refuses to cohabit with
the Plaintiff without any just cause or
provocation thereunto on part of the Plaintiff.
Wherefore Plaintiff prays the court that

the parties hereto may be divorced, and
the marriage relation heretofore existing
between them be annulled & set
aside, and for other proper relief
Advocate
Affidavits.
Alexander Briles being personally sworn
in oath says that the above matters
and things set forth and averred in the
 foregoing petition are true,
Alexander Briles
Subscribed & sworn to before me this
2^d day of December 1899.
J. H. Adams
Clerk Dist. Court

While the court documents do not contain a final divorce decree, I was able to locate a newspaper article which indicates the divorce was granted.



The Burlington Patriot (Burlington, KS)

25 Dec 1879

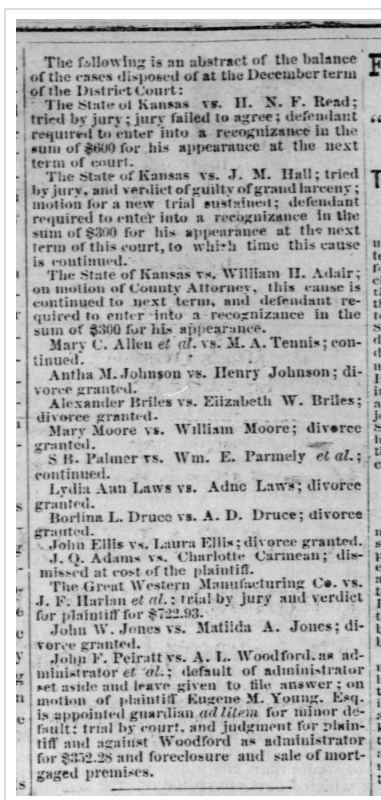
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The following is an abstract of the balance of the cases disposed of at the December term of the District Court:

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Alexander Briles vs. Elizabeth W. Briles; divorce granted

"COURT NEWS," THE BURLINGTON PATRIOT (BURLINGTON, KS), 25 DECEMBER 1879, PAGE 2; DIGITAL IMAGES, NEWSPAPERS.COM (WWW.NEWSPAPERS.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 18 SEPTEMBER 2022).



From this experience, I've learned several things:

- To keep digging for those records.
- That snail mail still works.
- that going back thru my research and carefully analyzing the research reveals research questions and leads to more records.

Peoria and the Black Hawk War

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 6, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY, PEORIA COUNTY

Have you ever gone back thru your notes and sources for an individual and wished you had done a better job of documenting your findings? That's my situation as I'm creating research notes for Hiram M. Currey of Peoria County, Illinois.

While I only have information for about 30 years of his life, I have quite a few details for those 30 years. Much of my research dates back to the pre-Internet days and thus is photocopies and handwritten notes. One of those citations appears to be a valid citation.

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Whitney, Ellen M., compiler, The Black Hawk War 1831-1832 (Springfield, IL: Illinois State Historical Library, 1970), vol. 2, p. 1229.

So, I started searching Google to see if I could find a digital copy of the book. And volumes 1 and 2 are on Archive.org. Unfortunately, page 1229 is not found in volume 2. A further search of Google reveals that there is a Part 3: Letters and Papers: Appendices and Indexes (Goodreads). So far, I haven't found a digital copy of this book.

Further digging in my files found a 1995 letter from the National Archives that included images from NARA microfilm of letters regarding the Indian situation around Peoria. While this letter contained the images, I wasn't sure how to document the letter and images. Thus, I started looking for the images online — and found them on FamilySearch.

6 November 1832 Letter from Major Hiram M. Curry of Peoria to General Atkinson which includes a memorial from citizens of Peoria and Putnam Counties

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Registers of letters received, 1812-1889; Letters received by the Office of the Adjutant General, main series, 1805-1821, 1822-1860, 1861-1870, 1871-1880

Letters, 1832 A

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Peoria Nour 6th 1832

(Copy)

General Atkinson

Sir,

It is with considerate regret

that I am compelled to inform you that the Pottawatamies and Winnebagoes are doing considerable mischief in different neighborhoods by burning the woods and prairies they have burned the Bridge over the Inlet of the Winnebago swamps. They have threated the lives of some of our citizens without being provoked so to do by any white person. They made it their business to set the prairies on fire so as to fire our farms that are on the frontier. I wish your candid direction what to do on such occasions.

I am very respectfully

(signed) Hiram M. Curry

Major Peoria Add Battn

of Ill Militia

We the undersigned citizens of Peoria and Putnam Counties have seen and read the above letter of Major Curry and do unhesitatingly say the above is correct as supported by the depositions of several citizens, we wish that you would take the subject under your consideration and grant such relief as you may deem most expedient

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*for the public good and the Indians welfare.
Attest. Stealing of horses may be added — if the Indians are not kept away it may cause some thing very serious, we wish for peace.*

Root

Simon Reed

James Pierce

Mahlon Linton

Horace Miner

Hiram Cleveland

Nicholas Stume

Marshall B Silliman

Resola Cleveland

Thomas Winn

Ezekiel Thomas

Column 2 of names

Charles B Pierce

Joel Hinks

Monott Silliman

John Cleveland

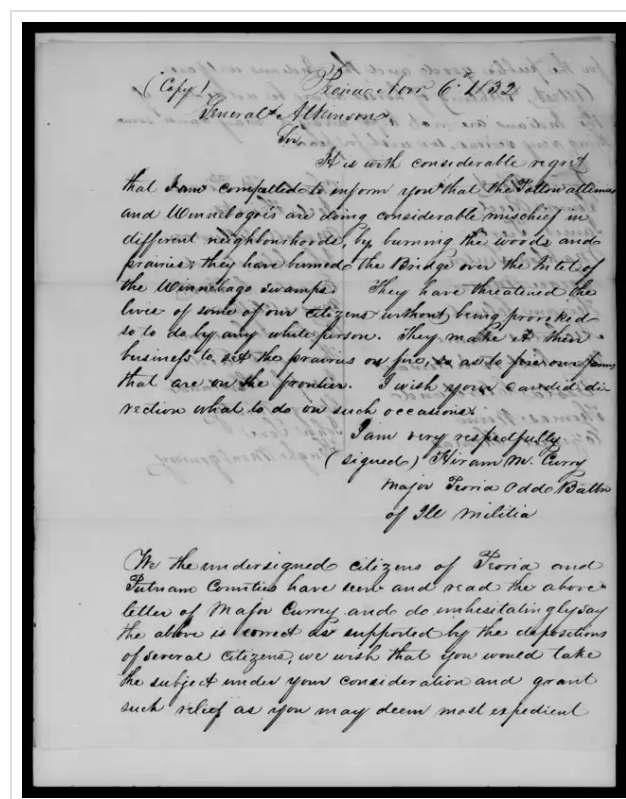
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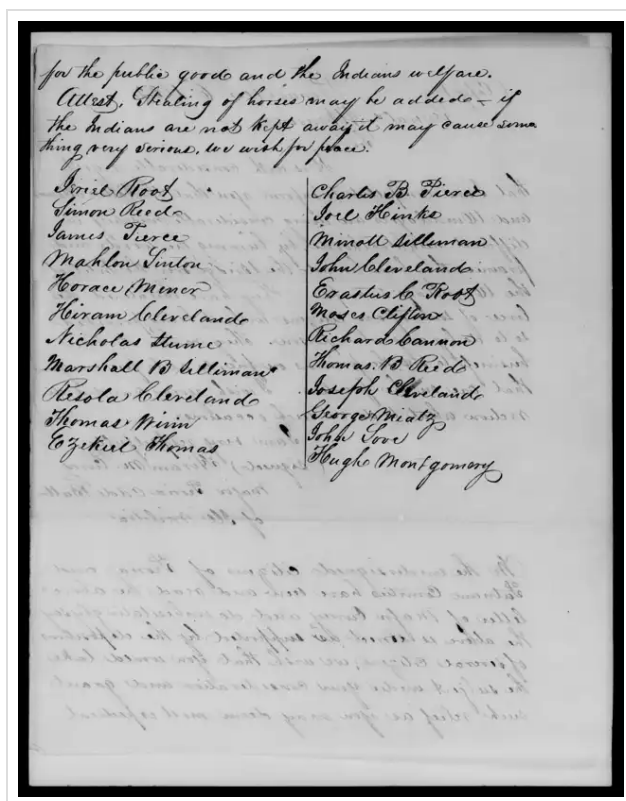
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16 Nov 1832 Letter from Br Gen H. Atkinson to Maj. Hiram M. Curry of Peoria, Illinois

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(Copy)

Heads Qrs: Right Wing Western Dept

Jefferson Barracks 16th Novr 1832

I have received your letter of the 6th instant in reference to the conduct of the Pottawatamie and Winnebago Indians in the neighborhood of Peoria. I have to desire that you will take an Interpreter with you if one can be had and go to the encampment of the Pottowatomies and caution them against committing any act of depredation on the lands or property of the frontier inhabitants and that they must fall back upon their own lands. That should they continue their improper conduct that teh Rangers will be ordered out to drive them off.

*I write to day to the Pottawatamies Agent at Chicago
informing him of the conduct of the Indians in your
neighborhoods, and requesting him to have them withdrawn.
with great respect, Sir*

Your servt

(signed | H. Atkinson

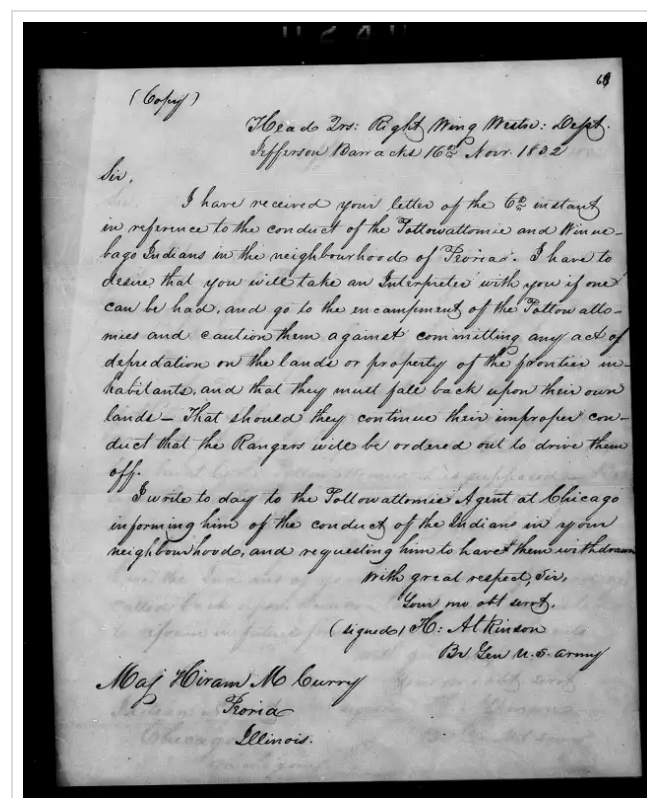
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Maj Hiram M Curry

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16 Nov 1832 letter from Br Gen H. Atkinson to Col. Owen, Indian Agent

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(Copy)

Head Qrs: Right Wing Western Dept.

Jefferson Barracks 16th Novr 1832

Sir,

I have received a Memorial from a number of the citizens of Peoria and its neighborhood complaining of depredations committed by a party of Pottowattomie Indians who are hunting on the Bureau and near Peoria. The report sets forth stealing of Horses and burning the Prairie and wood lands to the destruction of the fences of their farms. The bridge across the Winnebago inlet on the post routes to Galena has also been burned by the Pottowattomies it is supposed. Besides these acts they have molested travellers and threatened the inhabitants, causing much alarm. I have to request that you will send down and have the Indians of your Agency, complained of called back upon their own lands, and admonished to refrain in future from similar encroachments. with great respect sir,

Your servt

(signed) H. Atkinson

Br Gen US Army

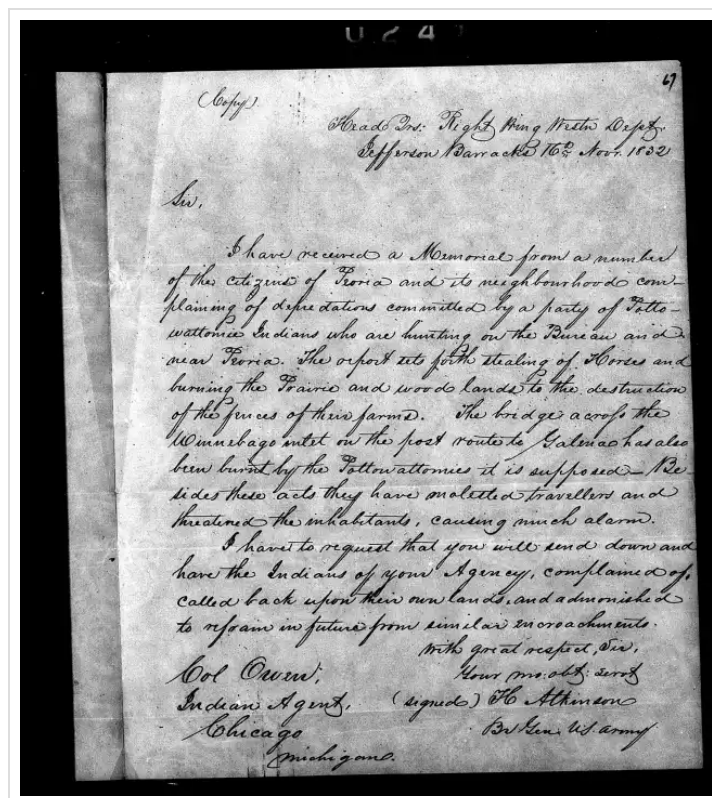
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Indian Agent

Chicago

Michigan

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1832 letter from John Dixon to Genl H. Atkinson

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(Copy)

Dixons Ferry Nour 6th 1832

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 16th was received during my absence, I now immediately on my return hasten to answer your inquiries.

With regard tot he complaint of the In

habitants about Peoria I will say, and hold myself accountable for the assertion that there has not been a Winnebago across the Winnebago swamp to the south for the last seven months. they fear to travel in any direction without first consulting the whites. They are the most humbled people I ever met with. The war has had an astonishing effect on them and if I am permitted to manage them as I now do I will pledge all I possess that they go peaceably across the Wisconsin in the spring, I know to a certainty that there is no other calculation amongst them.

With regard to the Pottowattomies I can say nothing from my own knowledge, the reports are much against them. The people who have been at the spot differ in opinion as to whether the Bridge was burned by accident or design on the subject I am not able to give an opinion only to state the facts that on the day it was burned there was

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a large body of Pottowattomies near it, and the Prairie about it was burnt that day. After weighing all the reports, I am led to the conclusion that their conduct towards the whites has been improper but to what interest I am not able to say. I shall do all in my power to get facts. I have sent a confidential Winnebago to them to find out how the Bridge came burned.

Very respectfully

Your obl servt

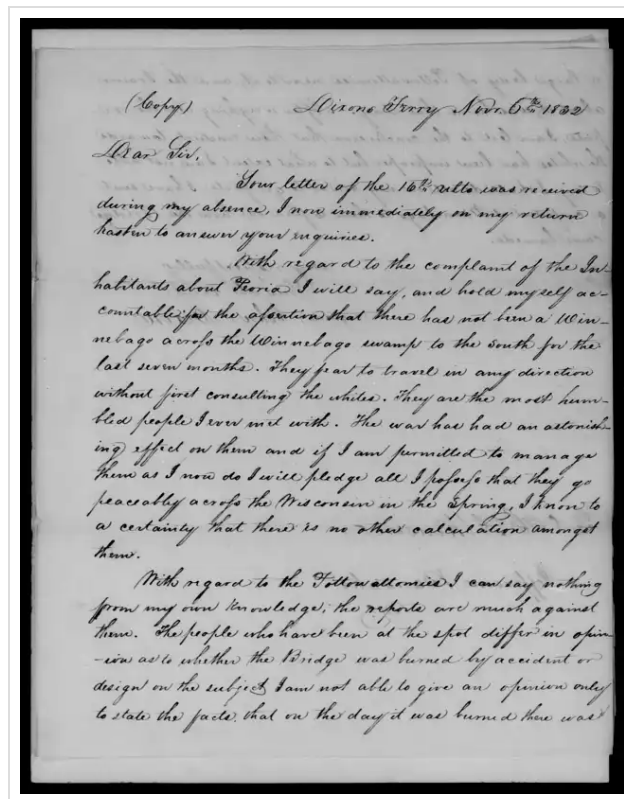
(signed) John Dixon

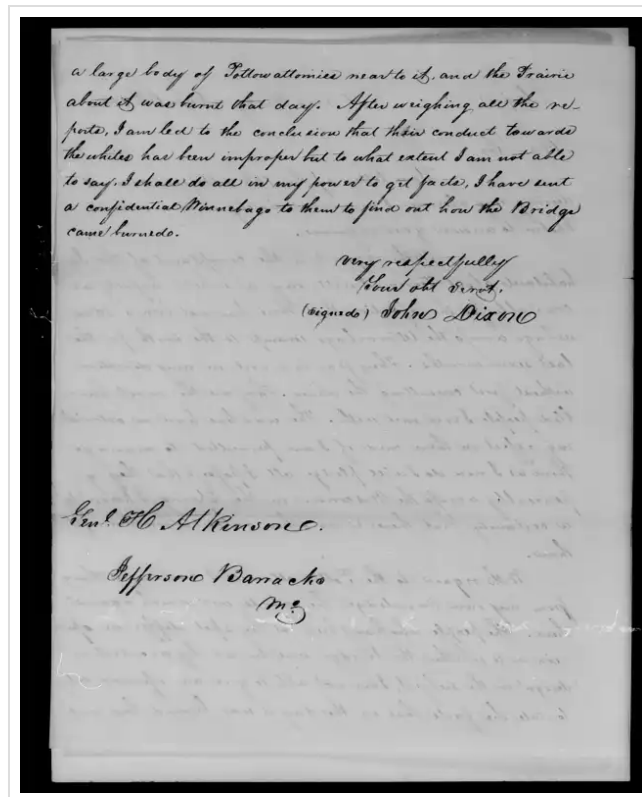
Genl H. Atkinson

Jefferson Barracks

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While I could have taken the easy way out and created a citation for the reply to my letter, I am glad that I pursued locating digital images of the documents.

Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 7, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY, PEORIA COUNTY

I'm sure my readers have NEVER obtained a photocopy of a record without making sure the source of the copy was attached to the record. However, I have to admit that I do have at least one such record (and probably more) in my files.

The record in question is a court document. It is likely from a court in Illinois, but I don't know which court.

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*Unknown Court Record
Possibly Peoria County IL*

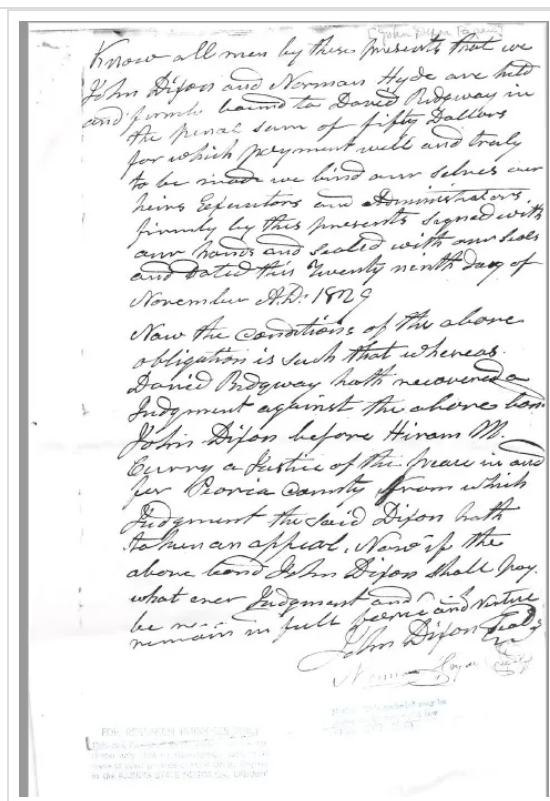
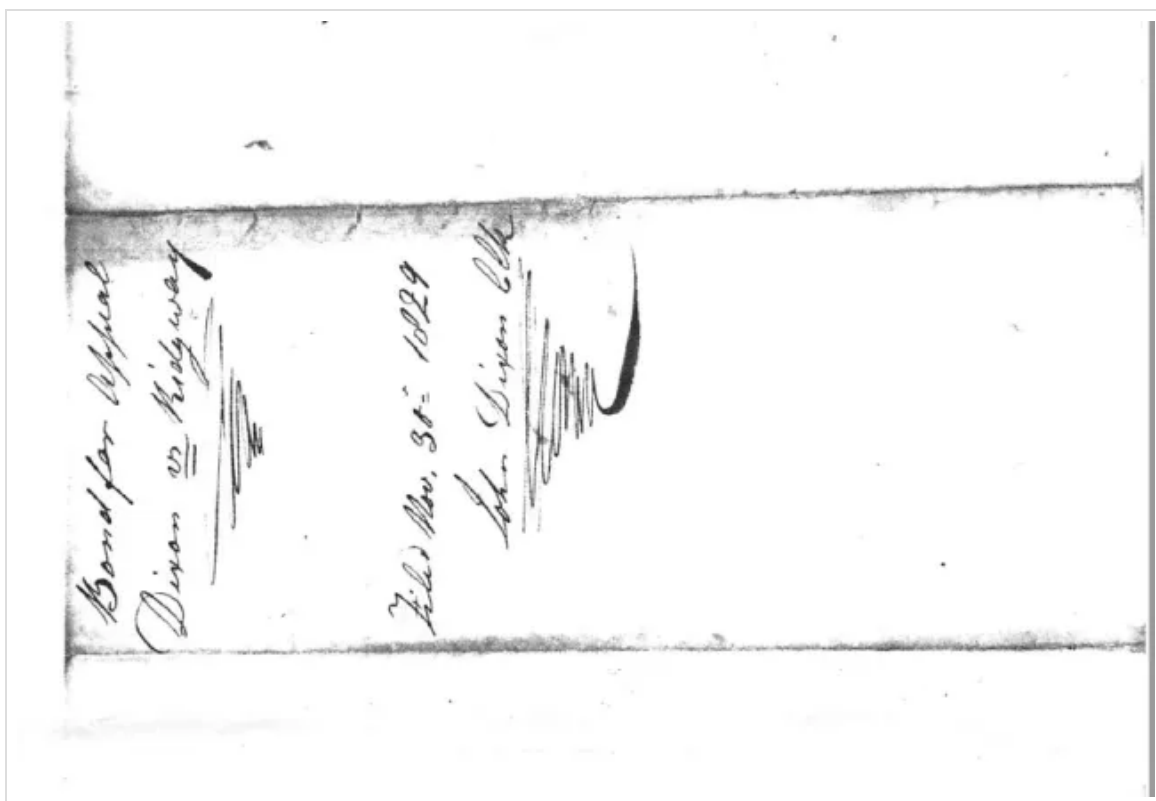
*Bond for Appeal
Dixon vs Ridgway*

*Filed Nov. 30 1829
John Dixon Clk*

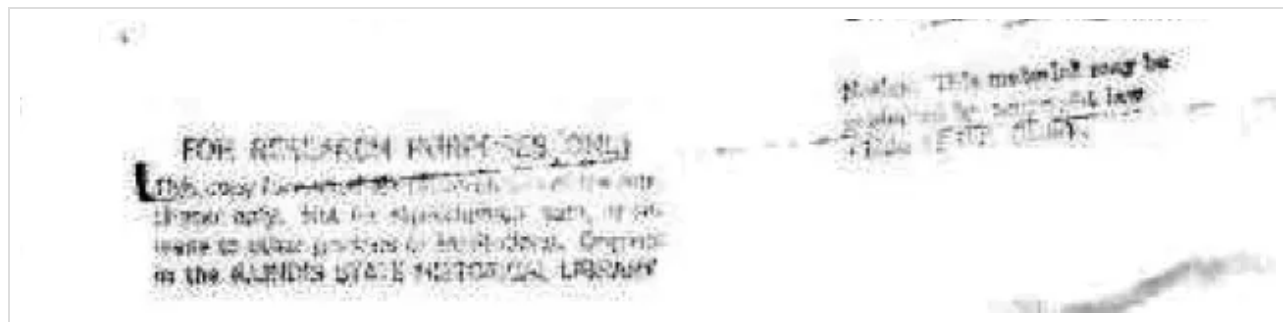
*Know all men by these presents that we
John Dixon and Norman Hyde are held
and formerly bound to David Ridgway in
the penal sum of fifty Dollars
for which payment will and truly
to be made we bind our selves our
heirs executors and administrators
firmly by this presents signed with
our hands and sealed with our seals*

*and dated this twenty ninth day of
November A.D. 1929*


*Now the conditions of the above
obligation is such that whereas
David Ridgway hath recovered a
judgment against the above bon
John Dixon before Hiram M.
Curry a Justice of the pace in and
for Peoria County from which
judgment the said Dixon hath
to him an appeal Now if the
above bond John Dixon shall pay
what ever Judgment and
be made [?}
remain in full force and virtue
John Dixon (seal)
Norman Hoye (seal)*



When I opened the image of the document in Paint.net (my free image manipulation software), I was able to change the contrast enough to read some of the stamp at the bottom of the document. Thus, I believe the stamp identifies the source as the "Illinois State Historical Library." Since I had made a research trip to Springfield, it is possible that I obtained this court document during that trip.



Since the document involved John Dixon, I did a search for ‘John Dixon papers Illinois’. One of the results of that search was a link to the obituary for John Dixon in the collection, “Papers of Abraham Lincoln”.



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Dixon, John

Born: 1784-10-09 Rye, New York

Died: 1876-07-06 Dixon, Illinois

Flourished:

Dixon spent his formative years in Rye, New York. At the age of twenty one, he moved to New York City and opened a clothing and tailoring business. While living and working in New York City, he became active in the temperance movement, and he also involved himself in the distribution of Bibles and other religious materials. In 1820, he sold his business and moved his family west for health reasons. He settled at Fancy Creek in what would become Sangamon County, Illinois, nine miles north of what would become Springfield. In 1821, Dixon was foreman of the first grand jury in newly-formed Sangamon County. In 1825, he moved to Fort Clark in Peoria County, Illinois, to take the position of clerk of the circuit court. He also served as recorder of deeds, justice of the peace, and contractor for postal service between Peoria and Galena. In 1829, he moved to Bureau County, Illinois. A year later, he arrived at Ogee's Ferry, site of a ferry across the Rock River in Ogle County, Illinois. Dixon purchased the ferry, and the area became known as Dixon's Ferry. He purchased land around the ferry and laid out the town of Dixon. In 1838, the Illinois General Assembly elected him a commissioner of the Board of Public Works for the Sixth Judicial Circuit. When the Illinois General Assembly created Lee County in 1839, he advocated for Dixon as the county seat, and in 1840, he succeeded in getting the land office moved from Galena to Dixon. Dixon played host to a number of prominent figures, including Abraham Lincoln. An early adherent of the Republican Party and supporter of Lincoln, Dixon represented Lee County at the Republican State Convention in 1856. A Baptist in religious orientation, Dixon was a charter member of the Baptist Church of Dixon. In 1808, he married Rebecca Sherwood, a union that produced twelve children.

Obituary, *Dixon Telegraph*, 13 July 1876, 1:3-5; Newton Bateman and Paul Selby, ed., *Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois and History of Lee County* (Chicago: Munsell, 1904), 706; *Portrait and Biographical Record of Lee County, Illinois* (Chicago: Biographical 1892), 831-32; Newton Bateman and Paul Selby, ed., *Historical Encyclopedia of Illinois* (Chicago: Munsell, 1901), 134.

<https://papersofabrahamlincoln.org/persons/DI32412>

Since I still don't know the source of this court record, I'm going to have to do more digging

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 8, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Draft Order

Courier Tribune

January 20, 1941

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(Official List Continued)

1551 Donald Kirk Piper

1552 Roy Lee Brannum

1553 James Allen Poore Sr

1554 Lynval Eugene Ball

1555 Robert Melvin Lowe

1556 Amos C Ulmer

1557 Earl Orrin Minturn

1558 Ben Henry Otting

1559 Clear Walters

1560 Clarence Bernard Hammes

1561 Alphonse Henry Enneking

1562 Paul Kenneth McNary

1563 Edwin Peter Rochel

1564 Darwin Ernest Neil

`1565 Sylvester M. Ronnebaum
1566 Ben Plattner
1567 John Edward Sauer
1568 Willis Walter Schuneman
1569 Solomon Herman Meyer
1570 Elmer Edward Krebs
1571 Chas M. Vorhees Jr
1572 Marvin Lewis Katz
1573 Albert Benedict Hermes
1574 Ural Vincent Davis
1575 Paul Benedict Schmitz
1576 Alvin Streit
1577 Merrill Melvin Wright
1578 Walter Albert Wichman
1579 Edwin Aloysius Ronnebaum
1580 Celestine Bernard Hulsing
1581 Raymond William Boltz
1582 Marcellus John Koch
1583 Harry Henry Johnstone
1584 Vincent Benedict Henry
1585 Isaac William Hidy
1586 Marcellus Edward Boeding
1587 Arthur R. Zimmerman
1588 LeRoy Glen Myers
1589 John Foster Quinn
1590 Louis Charles Enneking
1591 Roy Edgar Sewell
1592 Delmas Irvel Nusbaum
1593 Wm. H. Hilbert Jr
1594 Carl E. Baumgartner
1595 Paul A. Conner
1596 James Henry Boydston
1597 James Ivan Woolsoncroft
1598 Clifford Lue McKinsey

1599 Clarence Lafayette Ash

1600 Russell Albert Coe

1601 Albertle Thorne Miller

1602 Andrew Henry Grollmes

1603 Ralph Edward Kreiser

1604 Neil E. Bestcik

1605 Richard Gharst

1606 Joseph Henry Strathman

1607 Regis Francis Stallbaumer

1608 Loren Wayne Bloom

1609 Paul Peter Koch

1610 Merrill Orlin Wood

DNA – By Parent

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 9, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: ANCESTRY, DNA

I know. This post is being published on Sunday morning when I typically answer Randy Seaver's "Saturday Night Genealogy Fun" challenge. However, I will not be home this Saturday to write the Sunday blog. Instead, I will be spending the weekend with my family. While we won't be making any trips to swim this year, it's looking like it will be a fantastic weekend to spend in the cabins and around a campfire. Afterall, we have proven that we can endure a rainy, pink boots, weekend together.

Since the new DNA 'by parent' feature was recently released by Ancestry, I thought I'd share my findings, which are impacted by the following:

- I was able to test my mother, along with my two brothers
- My tree is a U.S. tree. All of my ancestors in the 6th generation have been identified. With the exception of my Harding line, who were Loyalists and left for New Brunswick, all of the rest of my 6th generation was born in the United States.
- I have quite a few close relatives that have tested, which helps identify my mother's maternal/paternal parents.

Below is a table showing the number of matches.

Tester	Total Matches	Close Matches	Distant Matches
Me	121,682	4,286	118,396
Brother1	137,374	5,383	131,944
Brother2	125,971	4,525	121,446
Mother	81,940	3,165	78,775

Below is a table showing our 'By Parent' data:

Tester	Maternal	Paternal	Both	Unassigned
Me	29,746	34,923	2	57,011
Brother1	39,032	34,819	3	63,574
Brother2	31,043	36,766	4	58,159
Mother	29,019	15,415	8	34,499

When looking at this 'by parent' data, my first question was why my brothers had more than 2 matches in the 'both' category. When I looked at those questionable matches assigned to both, I discovered that they each had shared matches who descend from Simon Van Arsdale and Rachel Banta (my paternal side). When I looked at some of their trees, I found several common surnames, including some that appear in my mom's side of the tree.

However, the 8 matches in the 'both' category for my mom are all close relatives. Besides my two brothers and myself, one is a first cousin, three are 1st cousins once removed and one is a first cousin twice removed. We would all have both sides of my mother's tree in common.

When I looked at the 'unassigned' matches, I was surprised to discover matches with an identified 'common ancestor' in the list. A few are even in my tree. And some of them had tested their DNA prior to my testing.

When I clicked on Common Ancestor to narrow the list of ‘Unassigned’ down, I found quite a few matches who have an identified common ancestor on my list of unassigned.

In Ancestry’s defense, it does say, “Pending Update” on the By Parent page above the word Unassigned. Since this is also in BETA and just rolling out, I expect that my numbers will change. While I could (and have) manually change these ‘unassigned’ with a common ancestor, I’m going to give Ancestry some time to run some more updates.

For more information on this new DNA tool see the following:

- [Ancestry's DNA SideView Assigns Matches to Parent Sides \(DNA Geek\)](#)
- [Blaine Bettinger's Facebook post – Ancestry DNA's Side View](#)
- [Ancestry DNA Sideview Assigns Matches to Mom or Dad \(Diahn Southard\)](#)

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 9, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: ROOTSMAGIC8, SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

Well, it is not Saturday night, but Sunday afternoon. However, Randy Seaver's Saturday Night Genealogy Fun challenge this week was too good to pass up.

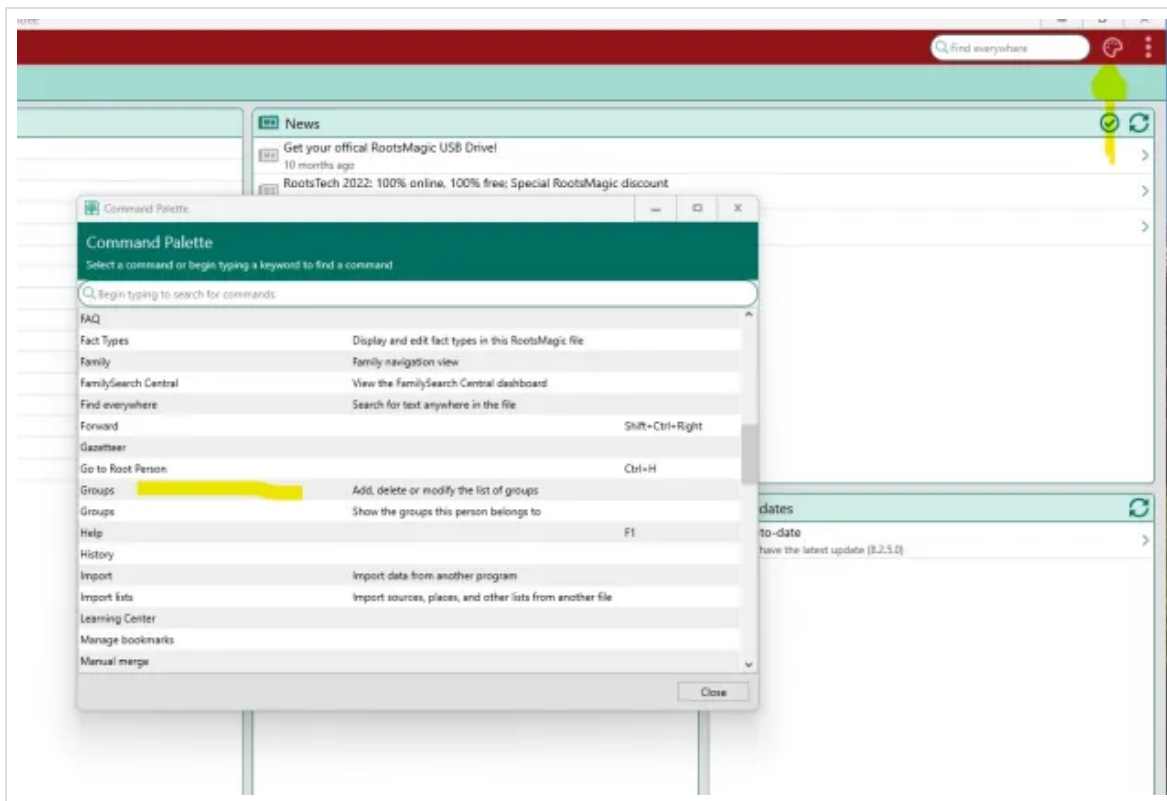
Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) Determine who is one of the most prolific fathers in your genealogy database or in your ancestry. By prolific, I mean the one who fathered the most children.

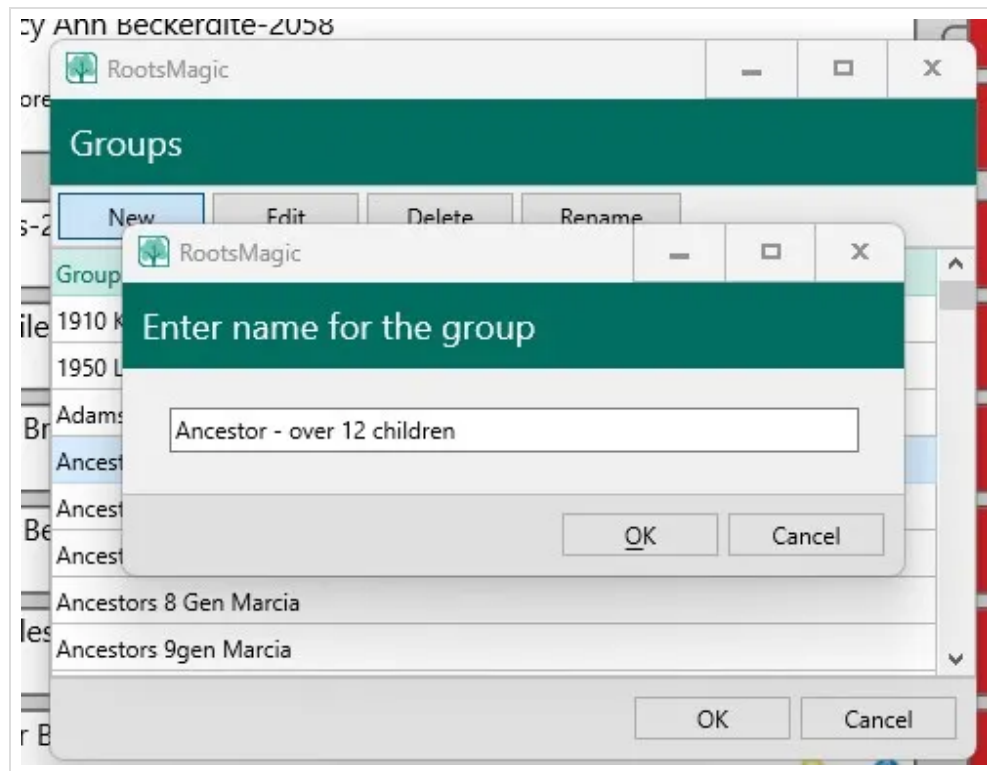
While driving home, I was pondering this challenge and how to figure out who this might be in my RootsMagic file of over 21,700 people. Thus, I was hoping that there was an easy way to identify such a person in my tree.

And I think there is.

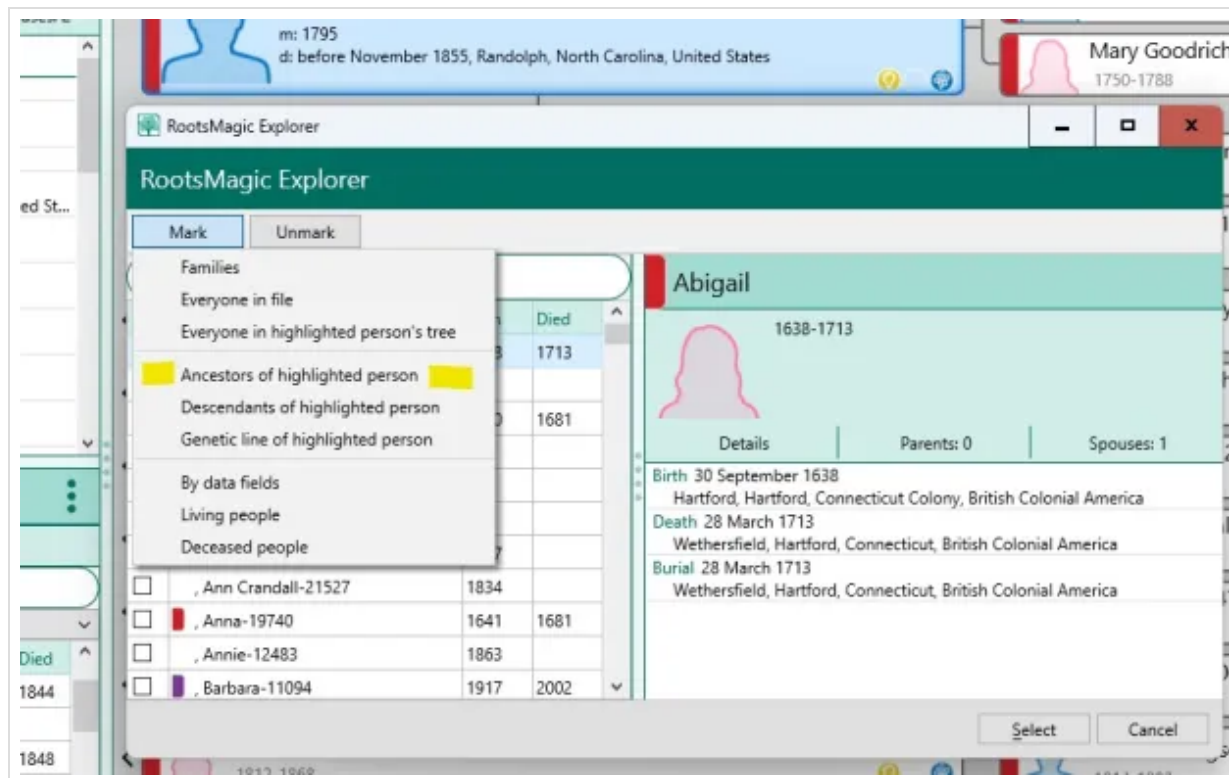
My first 'attempt' to identify prolific fathers was limited to my direct ancestors. To do this, I used the GROUP feature of RootsMagic. This function can be found under the PALETTE icon in the upper right corner of the program.



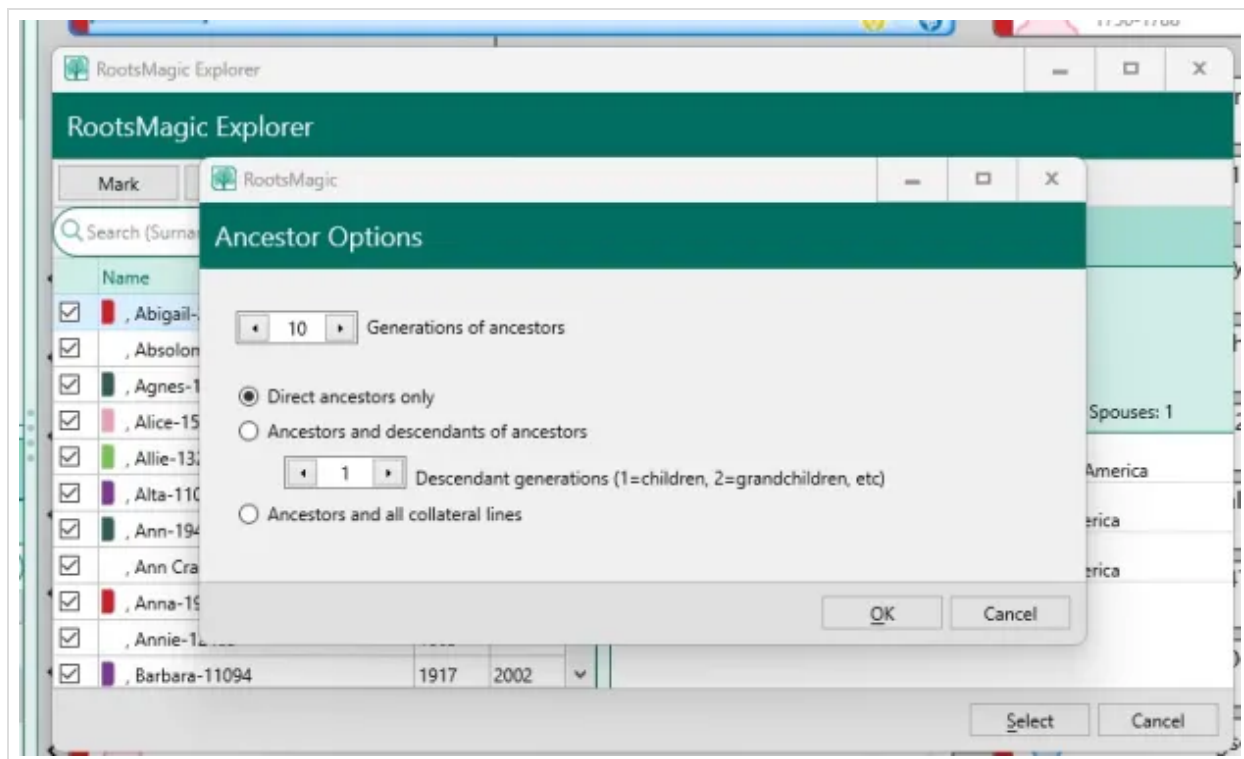
After selecting Groups – Add, Delete or Modify from the Command Palette, I selected NEW which opened a window to ‘Enter name for the group’.



Since I wanted to limit it to my direct ancestors, I ***first highlighted myself*** and then clicked on MARK to select ‘Ancestors of highlighted person’.



On the 'ANCESTOR OPTIONS' window, I set it at 10 generations and selected 'Direct Ancestors Only'



For the next step, I wanted to get rid of everyone who had small families. Thus, I wanted to UNMARK my ancestors who had less than a specific number of children. Thus, I clicked on

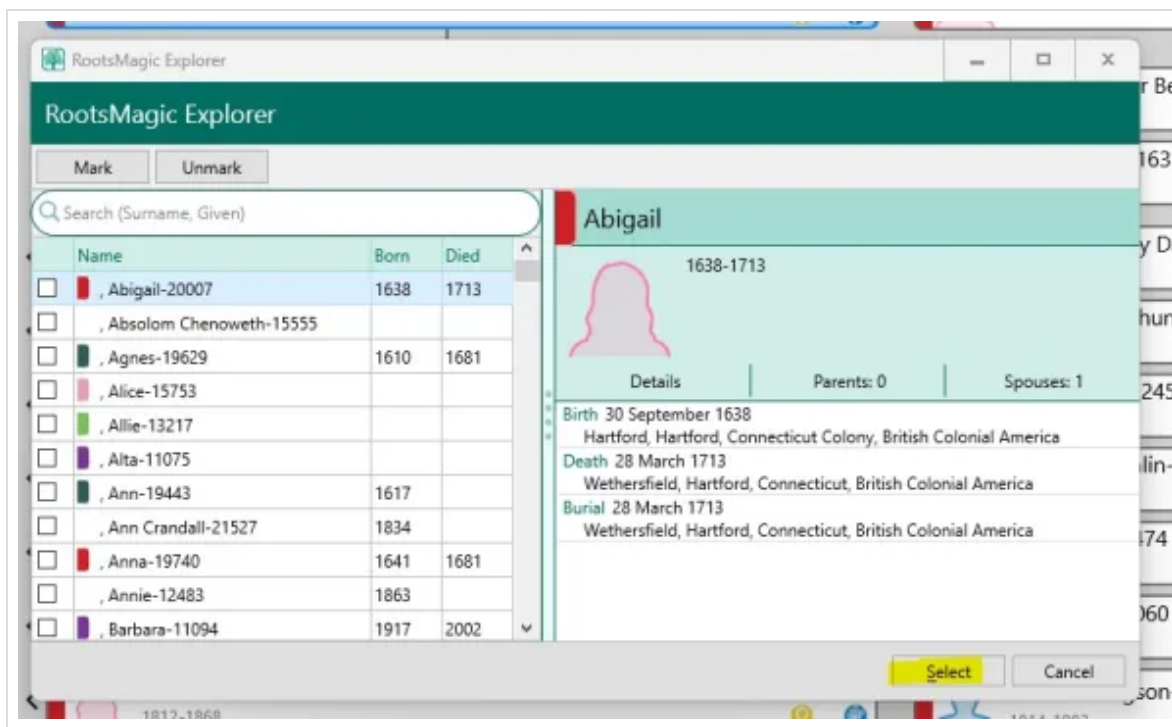
UNMARK and selected 'By data Field'

The screenshot shows the RootsMagic search window. The first filter is set to 'Number of children' (highlighted in yellow) with the operator 'less than' (highlighted in yellow) and the value '11' (highlighted in yellow). Below this are five rows of 'and' filters, each with a dropdown menu set to '<<Select field>' and the operator 'equals'. At the bottom, there is a 'Match case' checkbox, a 'Clear' button, and 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

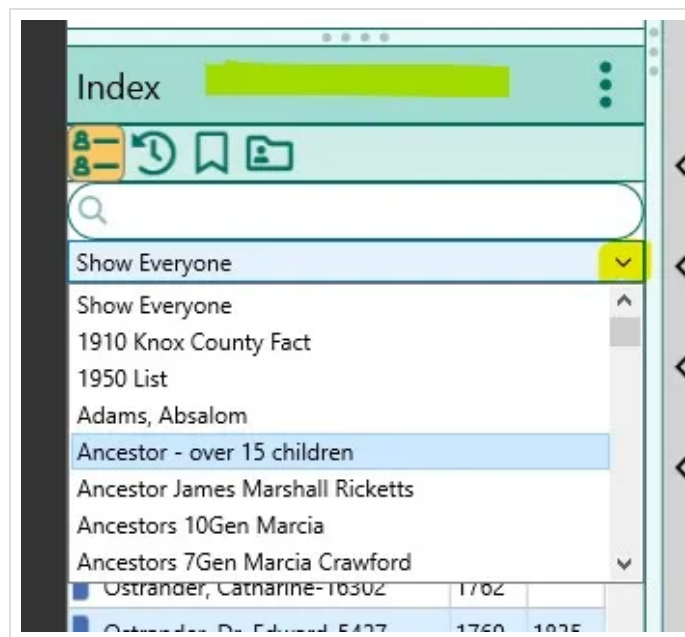
Since I was after FATHERS, I also unmarked the females to narrow the list down to fathers.

The screenshot shows the RootsMagic search window. The first filter is set to 'Sex' with the operator 'is female' (highlighted in yellow). Below this are five rows of 'and' filters, each with a dropdown menu set to '<<Select field>' and the operator 'equals'. At the bottom, there is a 'Match case' checkbox, a 'Clear' button, and 'OK' and 'Cancel' buttons.

Then I made sure I clicked on SELECT to save the results and OK to close the window.



Once the group was created, I then switched the INDEX in the left side of my people screen from EVERYONE to my new group.



Once the group was selected, I could see the members of the group. Since I was unsure of the family sizes, I started with the 'Number of children' less than 11. I kept changing that number until I got a fairly short list of results.

From my list of results, I could click on each one see their information in the window above the index. By clicking on SPOUSES, I could see their spouses and how many children they

had by each spouse.

Dr. Edward Ostrander-5427

1769-1835

Fourth great grandfather

Details

Parents: 1

Spouses: 1

+ Add

Margaret Forbes-5428

1772-1824 (m. 1796)

Children: 15

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Search

Ancestor - over 15 children

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Burke, John-10238	1783	1842
Dawson, Thomas Benoni-16357	1761	1832
Flewelling, John-16495	1701	1775
Hammond, Nathaniel-228	1733	1817
Ostrander, Dr. Edward-5427	1769	1835

Family

Father:
Dr. Edward Ostrander-5427
b: 22 November 1769, Troy, Rensselaer, New York, United States
m: 1796, New York, New York, United States
d: after 3 May 1835, Kingston, Ross, Ohio, United States

Mother:
Margaret Forbes-5428
b: 30 May 1772, Rensselaer, Rensselaer, New York, United States
d: 8 August 1824, Green Township, Ohio

1

Jemima Ostrander-5433

2

George Ostrander-5432

3

Graham Ostrander-11747

4

Sarah Ostrander-5435

5

Anthony Miller Ostrander-11748

6

Caroline Ostrander-215

7

Harriet Ostrander-8949

8

George Graham Ostrander-16219

9

Edward Ostrander-16220

By clicking thru each person in the group, I found that Hendrick Banta had 22 children, 14 by his first wife and 8 by his second wife.

Hendrick Hendrickse Banta-16757

1718-1805

Sixth great grandfather

Details

Parents: 1

Spouses: 2

+ Add

Antjin Demarest-16758

1733-1810 (m. 1751)

Children: 14

Rachel DeMarest Brouwer-16763

1716-1749 (m. 1738)

Children: 8

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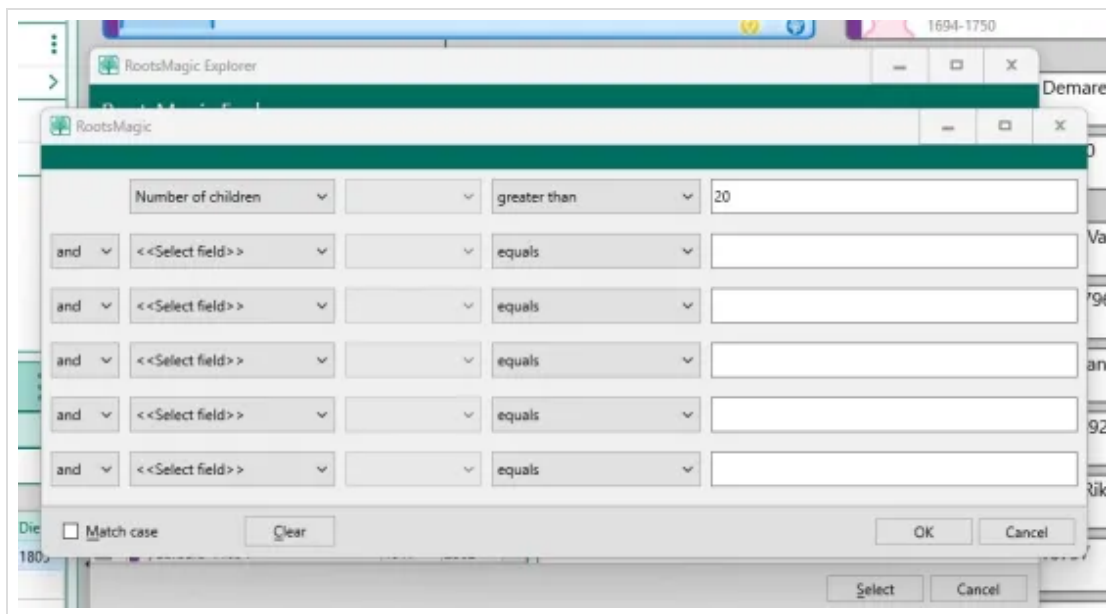
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Since Randy's challenge was for the most prolific father in my database, my next question was whether Hendrick Banta was the most prolific or whether a descendant or someone in one of my many 'bushes' was the most prolific.

To figure this out, I created another group. This time, my first step was to select individuals with over 20 children.



That group resulted in 3 individuals, including one female with 23 children. Thinking it HIGHLY UNLIKELY that a female could be the mother of 23 children, I checked her data and found that I had somehow linked her to two spouses with one set of children being born after her death. Thus, I unlinked her from that family, which reduced her number of children to 14.

This left TWO men in my tree with 22 children. Having just discovered one error, I compared the families of these two men with FamilySearch and discovered, that again I had put two John Crawford families together that the FamilySearch tree has as two separate families. Thus, I need to separate these two families until I find sources indicating that the John Crawford in both families is the same person.

That left me with my ancestor, Hendrick Banta. When I checked his profile on FamilySearch, I found that FamilySearch shows 21 children: 14 thru his wife Antjin Demarest and 7 thru his wife, Rachel Brouwer. My eighth child, Leah, has the same name as another Leah in the list of

7 children but a different birth date. Thus, further research may indicate these two individuals in my tree are the same person.

Even when I subtract the second Leah from the count of children, Hendrick Banta is still the most prolific father in my tree.

Children of Hendrick Banta and Antjin Demarest

- Rachael Banta
- Cornelius Banta
- Samuel Banta
- Pieter “Petrus” Bnta
- John “Shaker John” Banta
- Daniel Banta
- Captain Jacob H Banta
- Mary Polly Banta
- Antje Banta
- David Hendricksen Banta
- Isaac William Banta
- Angenitie Banta
- Hendrick “Vestus” Banta
- Garret Banta

Children of Hendrick Banta and Rachel Brower

- Hendrick Hendricksen Banta IV
- Lea Banta
- Abraham Banta
- Private Abraham Banta
- Mary Banta
- Albert Banta
- Geertruid Henrickse “Gertrude” Banta

Provenance

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 10, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY

Provenance: a record of ownership; the place of origin

Have you ever thought about the provenance for some of the records in your family files? As I've been recently reviewing the notes / resources for an ancestor, Hiram M. Currey, I came across a set of 1924 letters for which I have no record of their source.

These letters provide the only clue I have about the whereabouts of Hiram M. Currey after 1844. Thus, figuring out the source of the letters is critical to determining how reliable the information in the letters might be.

While I suspected that I might have received these letters from one of two CURREY researchers that I corresponded with prior to 2000, I started trying to figure out the source by identifying the authors of the letters.

- Nellie Rose Jones (Ella Maybelle "Nellie" Rose)
- Ethel Ashley Tomlinson (Ethel Lorena Ashley)
- Ada Maddux — granddaughter of Providence Montz Currey

Since I couldn't figure out Ada's maiden name, I looked thru my RootsMagic file for a granddaughter of Providence Currey named Ada and found an Ada A. McCain. A Google search for Ada McCain turned up a RootsWeb site for Ada's mother, Eliza Ann Currey which contains a reference to these letters in the endnotes.

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11. *Title:* Colver Family Papers, *Location:* Eugene, Oregon, *Pages:* 431 p., *File Number:* Collection No. Ax 126

Page: Letter written by Ada A. (McCain) Maddux of Covington, Kenton Co., Kentucky, to Nellie (Rose) Newbury Jones of Klamath Falls, Klamath Co., Oregon and dated March 29, 1924

Author: University of Oregon, *Compiler:* University of Oregon Library - Special Collections

Publication: 1860-1923

Since the author of the web site is one of the researchers I corresponded with, I now know the provenance of these letters!

There are a LOT of clues in these letters about the CURREY family, but only a brief mention of Hiram Curry.

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Providence Curry had a brother Tom Curry, and a brother Hiram Curry. Hiram Curry went to the goldfields of California in the early days before Providence Curry and his family came to Oregon, and they lost all trace of him, and never knew what became of him. Max Currey, a son of Hiram Currey, lived with Mrs. Ashley (daughter Providence Curry) for sometime. He became a dentist and lived in Kansas City.

This letter provides the following clues:

- Hiram is a brother to Providence and Thomas Currey
- Hiram went to California before 1853
- Hiram had a son named Max who was a dentist

While I've been able to locate documents connecting Hiram to his brothers, I have not been able to verify the other clues.

However, these letters may provide the only clue to where I might find Hiram Currey after 1844!

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*Set of letters
from Oregon*

Nellie Rose Jones (Mrs. Wilber A)

I have been looking over more old letters, particularly the Curry letters, and have out about 23 letters in envelope send to you to read. As I re-read the letters I made notes of Items that seemed to me of special interest-. I am typing these notes for you. As you reed the letters you may find something I have overlooked, but I believe my notes contain the highlights. You may have a copy of the WILL of the grandfather of Samuel Colver, Jr. but I am not sure so am enclosing a copy. Then the letter of the Mrs. Willis of San Francisco and her notes gathered from ^he Newberry Library, Chicago, gives me the exact date of the marriage of Samuel Colver Sr., and Rachel Curry, and the place. Also tell that my great great grandfather, Hiram N. Curry, who was State Treasurer of Ohio from 1516 to 1820, speculated with public money and resigned his office in Feb. 1820. I am led to believe that he was about 60 years of age that time, and married for the second time in 1821. \$1800 seems to be the amount of his defalcation. He was In Ohio in 1805. maybe before. He lived to be a very old man and died I in or near Crawfordsville, Indiana, it seems.

*Best wishes for success,
(Mrs. William A.) Nellie Rose Jones*

*My notes from the letters follow;
Providence Curry was the brother of Rachel Curry Colver (Mrs. Samuel Colver, Sr.,) She was born 1791 and was my maternal great grandmother.*

Providence Curry had a brother Tom Curry, and a brother

Hiram Curry.

Hiram Curry went to the goldfields of California in the early days

before Providence Curry and his family came to Oregon, and they lost

all trace of him, and never knew what became of him. Max Currey, a son

of Hiram Currey, lived with Mrs. Ashley (daughter Providence Curry)

for sometime. He became a dentist and lived in Kansas City.

Providence Curry also had a sister Sarah, who never married and a sister, Rebecca Currey Marks. They lived in Crawfordsville, Indiana

In his later years Hiram Currey, father of Rachel Currey Colver

Providence Currey, Ton Currey, Hiram Currey, Sarah Currey and Rebecca

Curry Marks, lived In Crawfordsville, Indiana, and married again in his old age. (Note, He married in Ohio in 1821 – his second marriage, then went to Indiana. Nellie Rose Jones)

One daughter of Providence Currey was Ida Currey, who married an older brother of above

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circuit Judge of this district, (Note – I believe he was principal of) the Grants Pass public schools around 1890. He was there a number of years if I am not mistaken. N. R. J.) Their son now lives in Salem, Oregon, and is clerk of the supreme court. His Mother lives with him (1-29-1951). She is the youngest daughter of Providence Currey and is first cousin of my grandfather, Samuel Colver, Jr.

Colonel George B. Currey was a brother of Ida Currey Benson. He was a man of some prominence in early Oregon history. Note- Members

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the Curry – Currey family spell the name either way.

According to W. L. Curry of Ohio, his great grandfather was James Curry who came from Ireland to Virginia in 1762. He lived In Staunton, Va. Dr. Spencer Garwood says Rachel Curry was a sister of Otway Curry

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but W. L. Curry says he does not know who she was, though he knew her personally.

Hiram M. Curry was State Treasurer of Ohio 1816 – 1820 – resigned February, 1820. (From Howe's Collections of Ohio) Vol. 1, page 168 H. M. Curry lived in Champaign county, Ohio. Page 141 – Mr. Kilbourn was chairmen of a committee to consider the petition for relief of the bondsmen of H. M. Curry, former State Treasurer,

History of Logan and Champaign counties 1805 – 1921- page 250 July 24, 1806, married, Samuel Colver to Rachel Curry – Found In Newberry Library, Chicago.

Provedence Monts Curry came from Kentucky, Harrodsburg, according to his granddaughter, Ada Marks, who wrote to me in 1924.

*Ada McCain Maddux, Kentland, Indiana, granddaughter of Providence Monts Currey (she spells it Provedenze), who was a brother of my great grandmother, Rachel Currey, says, in a letter me dated March 29, 1924 “Mother (Elizabeth Currey) has told me that the grandfathers lived to b be over one hundred and In the letter that my grandfather wrote her tells of his grandfather being 114. I think that the grandfather is burled either at Thorntown, Indiana, or Crawfordsville. Ind. *(Note; I believe she means her great grandfather, Hiram Currey.)*

Howe's Historical Collections of Ohio, Vol. I, page 165

Treasurers of Ohio, John Armstrong, 1792-1803; William McFarland, 1803-

1816; Hiram M. Currey, 1816-1820, resigned February, 1820. A term of office was three years, then could be re-elected for two .

Vol. 6 p. 135. Vote in the 5th district for congressman, H. M. Curry received

105 votes from Champaign county

Page 141 – Actions of General Assembly of 1823-24 State of Ohio.

Mr. Kilbourn was chairman of a committee to consider the petition for relief of the bondsmen of H. M. Curry, former State Treasurer,

By this examination it appears to the satisfaction of your committee that the purchase of property to which the said Curry applied the public money, in the full amount of his defalcation, was all made prior to his re-election to the treasury office; that the petitioners had no knowledge of his defalcation, nor was the fact then apprehended by the treasury committee.

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The petitioners certainly had reason to believe that the General Assembly would not re-elect a known defaulter, nor one with whom after the annual examination and report, they were not well satisfied, and so believing they entered into the security bonds in question; but the actual defalcation was soon after discovered.

It thus appears that the said petitioners have done more in effecting security to the State by the property of said Curry than was contemplated by the resolution of the Legislature, in that they have removed the incumbrance on the property by paying \$1800 in cash, and they have exhibited with their memorial the Treasurer's receipt given in conformity to the provisions of the said resolution, for \$55.73 more than the sum originally due the State from said Curry.

During the time they were making these laudable and efficient exertions, and to the present time, expensive and vigorous prosecutions have been carried on against them by the agent of the State, which is not justly chargeable against them.

—prayer of said petition is reasonable and the petitioners should be discharged from all liabilities in the premises without further payment. (these lost two lines were the finding of the committee to look into the matter of the petition.) —a committee was appointed to look into the property and the auditor was authorized to rent it.

Vol. 15 – page 93 – Reference to H. M. Curry, Treasurer of State —to pay order of \$33,000 for erection of State and public Buildings at Columbus, Ohio, In 1817.

Vol. 3 page 37 – Marriage record Franklin county. Vol. 1814-1830 August 30, 1821, Hiram M. Curry and Elizabeth Lane, by Charles Henkel.

Vol. 1 page 36 – Franklin county. June 14, 1805, Alexander Reed and Phebe Cary, married by Hiram Merick Curry. (Note by N. R. J., This proves that he was living in Ohio in 1805 – so Samuel Colver and Rachel Curry were married there , too.)

Vol. 2, page A04 – 404

A Mr. Henry Smith. Union county, came in 1836 when age ?, with parents from Columbia county, N. Y. —writes recollections —‘the Colvers, Millers, and Davenports were kin. He continues – schools-debating society weekly,— ‘ I recall the names of three or four who displayed a good deal of ability in these forensic contests; Samuel and Hiram Colver, who were young lawyers, sons of the early pioneer, Samuel Colver.*

Note by Nellie Rose Jones; All of the above Information was gathered In the Newberry Library, Chicago, Ill., by Leone Cady Willis,

215 Santa. Rosa Ave., San Francisco, California. She is a descendant of Angelina Colver who was a sister of Samuel Colver, Sr., and her letter to me was in 1934.

Belmont Road R.4. Box 2B, Hood River, Oregon

Jan. 17, 1924.

Mrs. Nellie Jones, some time ago I received a letter from you seeking for some information about the Currey family and I have not answered it sooner in hopes that I could find out what you wanted to Know.

My mother Is living with me, she is 83 years old and is the daughter of Providence Currey, who was the brother of Rachel Currey Oliver, You stated

in your letter that Providence Currey had only one brother, Tom, and my mother tells me that there was another brother, Hiram, who went to the gold

fields of California in the early days “before Providence Currey and his family came to Oregon and they lost all trace of him and never knew what became of him. Max Currey, a son of Hiram Currey lived with my mother’s

family for some time . He finally “became a dentist and the last known of lived in Kansas city. Providence Currey also had two sisters, Sarah who never married and Rebecca Currey Marks, They lived at Crawfordsville. Ind.

Mother does not know the names of either of her grand parents on the Currey

side. Her grand father lived to “be a very old man and married a second time

when he was quite old and lived at Crawfordsville “but that is all she knows about him.

I should be interested to know more about this society you speak of, can you join it if you have Currey ancestry? I will see if I can find any

way of getting the names of my great grand parents. I have an aunt living in San Jose, she is the youngest of mother's sisters and she might know. her address is 465-N-12th st. San Jose. Cal. Mother has one brother living, P.M. Currey, his address at present is Andrews, Oregon.

I am very sorry not to "be able to give you more information but If this little is of any use to you I am glad and hope to hear from you again some time. We are some sort of cousins I believe.

Yours sincerely.

Ethel (Currey Ashley) Tomlinson

Boise Idaho

1602 State & 16 St

Feb 9 1924

Dear Cousin if you will permit me to say cousin

I am writing you in answer to a letter Carrie Harvey just sent me I cannot give you the information but I think I can put you in touch with a cousin who can

I made a visit to my aunts home in Indiana about twenty years ago this aunt has since died but her Daughter whose address I will give you might know as I think they have better record of the family than we here in the west

My Mother is still living is now 83 years of age she makes her home with my sister whose address, I will also send you she to may be able to give this information

I wrote her some time ago as I knew you were trying to get the lineage of this branch of the family

*I will also write to this cousin in the east we did coraspond
for several years but finally dropped off
now I should apologize to you for useing type and especially
since I am just learning and make so many mistakes I haven't
learned how to space or use the quotation marks am not
taking any instructions am just picking it up off hand and
some may think I am starting in late but I do not as I
have three more years yet before, reaching my three score years
and if I can make the letters at all one can read it better
than my writing as I am a very poor scribe*

*I am also getting track of another Uncle
who may be able to give some information
will write you again when I hear more
definatly*

Sincerely yours

Emma G. Harden

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[Wrote] to Will Curry

and Mr. Maddux

April 4, 1924

March 29, 1924

*Mrs Wilbur A. Jones,
Klamath Falls, Ore.*

Dear Cousin:—

Your letter was forwarded to me here from Kentland, some days ago, and would have answered sooner, but thought that we might go back to Kentland for a few days.

As to information, to the D.A.R. organization, I can give you nothing sure, but think that a cousin of ours in Indianapolis, Ind. will have the facts, as he was in correspondence along that line some years ago.

If you will address him Will Currey, Indianapolis Times he will answer you I am sure.

In the home at Kentland is a paper; or rather a letter that my grandfather Provedenze Monts Curry wrote to my mother, that gives the line of family as he knew it. The family came from Ky. I think Harrodsburg. They were originally from Greece, and the name was spelled Kuri.

Here in Covington, and Cincinnati the name Curry is as common as

Smith, some of us are 'bootleggers, and some in very high standing; also there are colored people of that name. The family were slave holders and I have heard that they had many slaves, but I think that the number was not as many as has come down to the present generation.

We will be in Kentland sometime this summer and I will then get the letter and make copies of it to send to you.

I am so glad to got the address of Mrs. Harden, as I had not had any word from her for some years. She made us a visit in Kentland while

my parents and brother were living.

This Will Curry of whom I spoke is a son of Tom Curry of Oregon Missouri, and his father's name was Tom. I think.

I think that the grandfather is buried either at Thorntown, Ind. or Crawfordsville.

While we lived in Goodland, Ind there was a cousin of mother's made us a visit, and her name was Sarah Marks Billings, her home was in Monmouth Ill. She afterwards stayed with us six months in Gallatin Mo. where father preached. She returned to Monmouth and we lost trace of her hearing that she had married a Do. of St Louis Mo. she was about sixty at this time. I did know the name of the man whom she married but have forgotten it.

I am the only living member of my family, my father died in 1914, March 16, and mother died in April of 1916. Then just three years ago my only brother dropped dead, from heart trouble.

Two years ago I married the best man that ever a woman had, and am very happy, we have lived at Hammond, Ind. where Mr. Maddux is an Internal

Revenue officer, but his health failed, so we came here for the winter, we keep a flat here where we can come and rest when we get tired of the office work.

We will be here for several weeks yet, and may not go back at all.

I will call Will Curry when we are in Indianapolis, and see what he can tell me, but you had better write him as it is uncertain when we will leave here.

I always say that all the Curries are related, good, bad and indifferent.

Mother has told me that the grandfathers lived to be over one hundred and in the letter that my grandfather wrote her tells of his grandfather being 114. So you see that we have a good chance to see many changes yet to come.

I do not know where to place you, are you a grand daughter of one of my mother's sisters?

I saw where a Monty Curry was arrested for bootlegging in Cin. not many days ago, and persume that he is some of the family, but did not hunt him up. Then I saw the death of a very much respected man of that name who died in Cal. and was being buried n Cin. just last week.

Mother always thought that there were none of the family in the war, but she might have been mistaken.

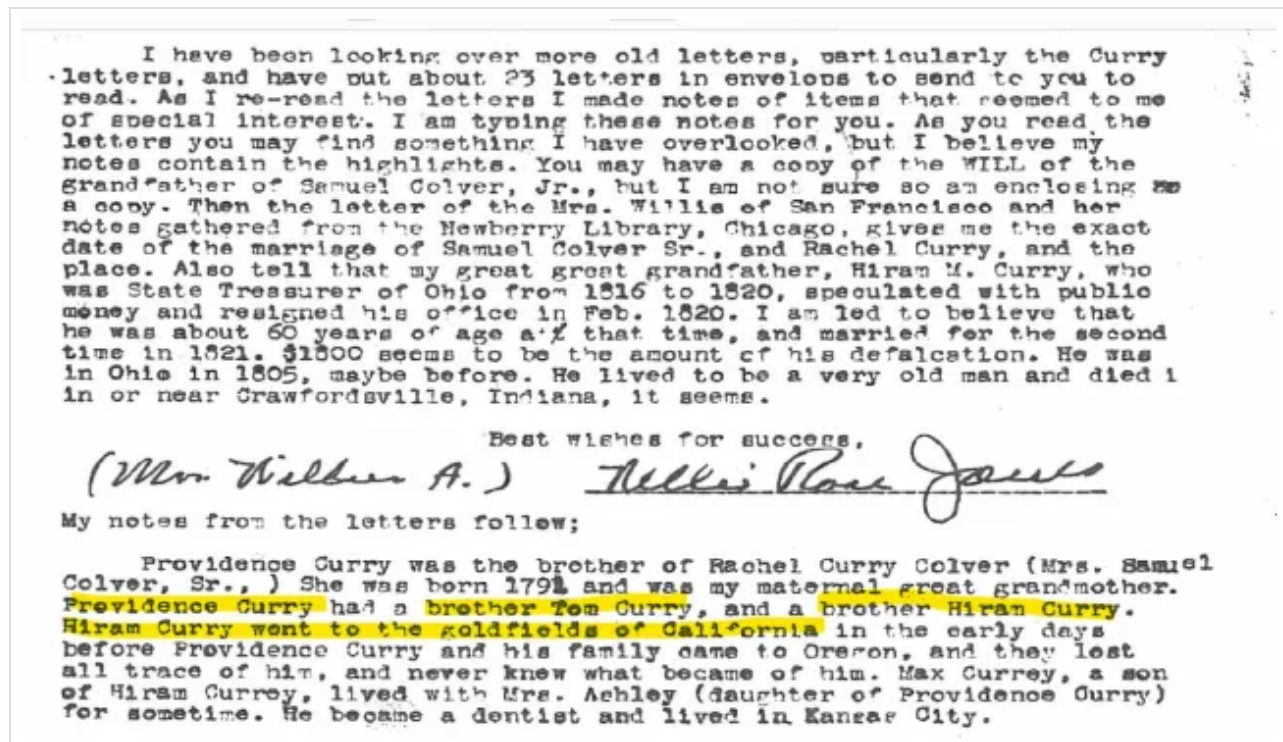
*If I can be of any more help, will be pleased to do so,
You can address me as Mrs A. Dick Maddux, Covington KY.
Apt. 6 Boone Bldg. Emma will remember me as Ada McCain.*

Yours most sincerely,

Ada M. Maddux

Now that I know the provenance of these letters, I not only can craft a citation that includes that provenance but also seek out the original papers from Oregon!

"Nellie Rose Jones," undated; letter, Colver Family Papers; Collection No. AX 126; University of Oregon, Eugene, Oregon; photocopy obtained from Steven Shook. contains typewritten notes from other letters.



For those interested in the Currey/Colver families in Oregon, some of the Colver Family Papers are available on the Oregon Digital page. Unfortunately, I couldn't find these letters in that online collection.

Thirty Years

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 11, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CURREY, PEORIA COUNTY

Do you have any ancestor in your tree for whom you have lots of information but over a limited time period? That's my situation with Hiram M. Currey of Peoria County, Illinois. However, there are many unanswered questions regarding Hiram M. Currey.

- Do I have proof he is my ancestor? **Not Really!** I have a Bible record indicating my ancestor, Hiram M. Currey of Leavenworth County, Kansas was born in 1835 in Peoria. However, the handwriting in this Bible suggests that this birth information was written sometime after his birth and possibly by his wife after their marriage. I do NOT have any land record or probate record connecting the two Hiram.
- Am I sure all of the facts I have gathered are for this Hiram M. Currey? **Not Really!** The given name, Hiram, is fairly common but I have not placed another Hiram Currey (or Curry) in Illinois at the same time as the Peoria Hiram. However, there is some inconsistency with the other information gathered for Hiram M. Currey of Peoria. In some records, Hiram M. Curry is serving as a private or a sergeant during the Indian Campaigns, while in December 1832, there is a report from the Commissioners on the conduct of the Pottawatomis to the Illinois senate that is signed by Hiram M. Curry.
- Am I sure that the father of Hiram M. Currey of Peoria is the Hiram M. Currey that served as treasurer of Ohio? **Not really!** Again I have no documents connecting Hiram M. Currey of Peoria to his parents.
- Do I know where Hiram M. Currey of Peoria died? **NO!** I have copies of some correspondence that suggests Hiram M. Currey "went to the gold fields". There was a group from Peoria, Illinois that did go to California seeking gold. However, I have yet to find any evidence that Hiram M. Currey was part of that group or any other group heading west.

Hiram M. Currey of Peoria, Illinois

Hiram M. Currey was born about 1787.

On 4 Apr 1822 he was admitted into the practice of law, the 1st attorney of Rush County and was at once made prosecutor in Rush, Indiana, United States.¹⁻²

He was admitted to practice law on 26 Sep 1822 in Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana, United States.³⁻⁴

On 10 Oct 1822 Hiram was an appointed the first prosecuting attorney in Shelby County, Indiana.⁵⁻⁹

He resigned as prosecuting attorney in Apr 1823 in Rush, Indiana, United States.¹

He was assessed \$225 in 1825 in Ten Mile Creek, Peoria, Illinois, United States.¹⁰⁻¹²

Hiram lived in Medina Township, Peoria, Illinois, United States about 1825.¹³

He was appointed Constable about Jul 1825 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.¹⁴⁻¹⁶

He purchased lot 9 in Block No. 2 at \$51.00 during the first public sale of lands on 10 Jul 1826 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.¹⁷

Hiram ran for county commissioner in Aug 1826 in Peoria, Illinois, United States.¹⁸

His nomination for justice of peace for Peoria County was approved by Illinois House of Representatives on 26 Dec 1826.¹⁹⁻²¹

Hiram's confirmation by the Senate for his nomination by the Illinois House of Representatives for justice of peace representing Peoria County was announced on 27 Dec 1826.²²

He was commissioned justice of peace on 5 Jan 1827 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.²³⁻²⁴

He was a lawyer in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.²⁵

Hiram was a candidate for county commissioner on 14 Aug 1828 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.²⁶

He was a candidate for justice of peace on 18 Oct 1828 in La Salle District, Peoria County, Illinois.²⁷

He was an early settler in in Spring Bay Township, Tazewell County, Illinois in 1829.²⁸⁻²⁹

Hiram received 28 votes for justice of the peace and was elected to the office on 29 Aug 1829 in LaSalle Precinct, Peoria County, Illinois.³⁰⁻³³

On 9 Nov 1829 he was a Justice of Peace in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.³⁴

In 1830, he was to have performed a marriage ceremony in the home of John Hammett but did not arrive until late in Mossville, Peoria, Illinois, United States.³⁵

Hiram was listed with 1 male age 10-15, 2 males age 30-40, 1 female under 5, 1 female age 20-30 on the 1830 census in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States³⁶

He was commissioned major of Peoria battalion on 4 Mar 1830 in Illinois, United States.³⁷⁻³⁸

Between 16 Jun 1831 and 26 Jun 1831, he served in Capt. Pike's Company of the Rock River Rangers as a private in the IL Volunteer Militia in the Sac & Fox War. Hiram M. Currey enrolled at Fort Armstrong.³⁹⁻⁴⁰

Hiram performed the first marriage solemnized between white people in this region between Harris W. Miner and Miss Nancy Gross about 1832 in Stark, Stark, Illinois, United States.⁴¹⁻

He was appointed along with Charles Ballance as commissioners to a road towards Knoxville that passes on north line of in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States in 1832.⁴³

He served in the military as 2 Sergeantt in Capt. Eads' Company of Mounted Rangers in Stillman's Battalion, Illinois Mounted Volunteers on 23 Apr 1832 in Illinois.⁴⁴⁻⁴⁶

Hiram was listed on the muster roll of Captain Abner Eads Company of Mounted Ranging Volunteers enrolled on an Order from Commander in Chief of the Militia of the State of Illinois to Brigadier General Isaiah Stillman for the service of the United States and served as Orderly Sergt. from May 17th to the 21st of May 1832 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.^{45,47-48}

He ended military service on 28 Jun 1832 in Illinois, United States having served as 2 Sergeant in Captain Ead's Company Mounted Rangers in Stillman's Battallion, Illinois Mounted Volunteers.^{44,46}

On 6 Nov 1832 from Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States, he sent a letter and petition to General Atkinson regarding burning of land and bridge by Winnebago Indians. The letter is signed Hiram M. Curry, major Peoria Add Battn of Ill Militia.⁴⁹

Hiram was identified at the bottom of a letter from Henry Atkinson, Jefferson Barracks dated 16 Nov 1832 while residing in Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois.⁵⁰⁻⁵²

He held the office of Commissioner on the conduct of the Pottawatomi in Dec 1832 in Illinois, United States.^{51,53-54}

He applied to enter land (SW 1/4 S5 T10N R9E of 4th Principle Meridian) by preemption agreeably to Act of Congress of 19 June 1834 in 1834 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁴³

Hiram purchased the SW1/4 Section 9 Township 9N Range 8E of the 4th Principal Meridian from Lewis Hallock and Sophia his wife of Peoria Co., IL on 17 Oct 1834 in Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois.⁵⁵

He sold the SW1/4 Section 9 Township 9N Range 8E in the Military Bounty Tract of Illinois to Blewford Stringer for \$200.00 on 18 Oct 1834.⁵⁶

He was mentioned in tax list in 1835 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁵⁷

Hiram was involved in a land dispute with Isaac Underhill regarding whether Hiram M. Curry was actually residing on the land he had claimed by preemption being the SW fractional quarter Section 5 Township 10 North Range 9 East of the 4th principal meridian between 1836 and 1840 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁵⁸

He taught school in a cabin near where the residence of Moses Neal now stands in 1836 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.^{30,59}

He filed land entry papers on 19 Mar 1836 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States claiming he occupied and raised a crop on the SW fraction quarter of Section 5 Township 19 N Range 9 East of 4th principal Meridian in year 1833.⁴³

Hiram filed land entry papers paying \$44.20 for the SW fractional quarter of Section 5 Township 10 N Range 9 E of the 4th principal meridian containing 35 acres on 30 May 1836 in Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois.^{43,60}

He sold 78 and 99/100 acres in the E 1/2 NW 1/4 S30T11NR9E of 4th principal meridian for \$800.00 to Thomas M. Currey on 9 Jul 1836 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁶¹

He purchased the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 Section 30 Township 11N Range 9E of the 4th Principal Meridian being 78 and 99/100 acres for \$150 from Linus Scoville and his wife Elizabeth Scoville on 9 Jul 1836 in Peoria, Peoria County, Illinois.⁶²

His certificate #8250 for SW1/4 S5T10NR9E was cancelled on 3 Oct 1838 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁴³

Hiram was listed on the 1840 census with 1 male under 5, 1 male 30-40, 1 female under 5, 1 female 30-40 at La Salle Precinct in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁶³

He was a candidate for representative in 1840 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁶⁴

He purchased land being the E1/2 of the NW1/4 Section 30 Township 11N Range 9E of 4th principle meridian on 23 Nov 1840 in Peoria, Peoria, Illinois, United States.⁶⁵

Hiram sold land by quit claim to Isaac Underhill the S 1/2 of Section 5 Township 10N Range 9E of 4th principal meridian acquired by virtue of preemption for the sum of \$150.00 on 28 Mar 1842 in Illinois, United States.⁶⁶

He was commissioned lieutenant colonel of 1st regiment on 31 Dec 1842 in Illinois, United States.⁶⁷⁻⁶⁸

He was member of school trustees on 27 Nov 1844 in Woodford, Woodford, Illinois, United States.⁶⁹

Hiram went to the gold fields about 1849.⁷⁰⁻⁷¹

Hiram M. Currey married Rachel Harris on 28 Sep 1824 in Edgar, Edgar, Illinois, United States. The couple was married by John W. McReynolds, a licensed minister of the gospel of the Methodist Episcopal Church.⁷²⁻⁷⁷

Rachel Harris, daughter of Peter Harris and Rachel Simonse VanArsdale, likely died before 28 March 1842 when a deed for sale of land by Hiram M. Curry does not mention a wife..⁶⁶

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James Barr Ralston

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Do you have specific lines in your family tree that you like to research more than others? Readers of this blog are well aware that my CRAWFORD line is one of my favorites. I will also admit that I don't spend as much time researching lines which have a published genealogy.

The fact that over the years I have had 'favorites' in my genealogy research becomes fairly obvious when one compares yesterday's post about Hiram M. Currey of Peoria, Illinois with today's post for another 3rd great grandfather, James Barr Ralston.

For Hiram M. Currey, I have done extensive research in a variety of records. However, with James Barr Ralston, it is obvious that I haven't gotten beyond Ancestry hints. If I was to use the criteria in the 'Level Up Challenge', I would have to rate my research of James Barr Ralston at Level 3 while my research for Hiram M. Currey would be level 4 or possibly level 5.

Thus, I have work to do on my RALSTON line!

James Barr Ralston was born on 20 Dec 1811 in Pennsylvania, United States.¹⁻²

He lived in Buffalo Township, Armstrong County, Pennsylvania in 1840.³ James B. Ralston was listed as a head of household on the 1840 census in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania. According to the census, James' household included with 1 male 20-30, 1 female under 5, and 1 female 20-30.

He lived in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States on 1 Jul 1850.⁴ James B. Ralston was listed as a head of household on the 1850 census in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania. According to the census, James was a 38 year old farmer born in Pennsylvania.

Also included in the household were Jane, Amanda, Matilda, John, James, David, and Sarah E.

James lived in Galesburg, Knox, Illinois, United States in 1855.⁵ James Ralston was listed as a head of household on the 1855 census in Knox County, Illinois. The household included 2 males under 10, 2 males 10-20, 1 male 40-50, 2 females under 10, 1 female 10-20 and 1 female 40-50.

He lived in Ontario, Knox, Illinois, United States on 10 Jul 1860.⁶ J.B. Ralston was listed on the 1860 census as a 47 year old born in Pennsylvania. Living in his household were Jane, Matilda J., John M., Jos M., Frank D., Sarah, Elia, Margaret, Alicia.

He was listed on the tax rolls with a valuation of \$345 in 1865 in Knoxville, Knox, Illinois, United States.⁷

James lived in Ontario, Knox, Illinois, United States in 1865.⁸

According to his daughter Alice Lighter's obituary, he lived in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States in 1867.⁹

He lived in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States on 8 Jun 1870.¹⁰ James Ralston was listed as the head of household on the 1870 census in Grundy County, Iowa. According to the census, James was a 59 year old farmer born in Pennsylvania. Living in his household were Jane, Matilda, Ellis, Margaret and Alice Ralston.

James lived in Grundy, Iowa, United States on 1 Jul 1880.¹¹ James B. Ralston was listed on the 1880 census as a 58 year old farmer born in Pennsylvania. Living in his household were Jane, Matilda and Alice Ralston.

He lived in Grundy, Iowa, United States in 1885.¹² J. B. Ralston was listed as the head of household on the 1885 in Grundy County, Iowa. According to the census, J. B. was 73 years old and born in Pennsylvania. Also listed in the household were Jane and Matilda.

He lived in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States on 12 Jun 1900.¹³ James B. Ralston was listed as the head of household on the 1900 census in Grundy County, Iowa. According to the census, James was born Dec 1811 in Pennsylvania. Also listed in the household were his wife, Jane, and a daughter Matilda J. Ralston.

James died on 4 Jul 1904 at the age of 92 in Grundy, Iowa, United States.^{1-2,14} Grandfather Ralston Dead.



End of Long and Noble Life.

Came to Grundy County in 1868

Ninety-two Years Old.

James B., eldest son of David and Hannah Ralston was born in Armstrong county, Penn, December 20, 1811. The eldest of a family of two boys and four girls growing to maturity, he was the last to be called from earth.

On May 31 1836 he was united in marriage to Jane McCormick at Worthington, Armstrong Co., Penn, to which union eleven children were born, five of whom have gone on before the father, six yet remaining: David Franklin Ralston, New Windsor, IL; Mrs. Amanda A. Simkins, Hall City, South Dakota; Ellis S. Ralston, Concordia, Kansas; Mrs. Alice M. Leighter, Dodge City, Kansas; Mrs. Margaret R. Barnes, Cedar Falls, Iowa, James Ralston, Conrad, Iowas.

In 1854 Mr. and Mrs. Ralston moved from Armstrong county, Penn., to Knox county, ILL, where they made their home till 1868 when they moved to Grundy county, Iowa; settling on the farm which has ever since been their home, and from which they have done their part in the building up of this new country.

At the age of twenty-five Mr. Ralston was converted and united with the Presbyterian church of which he has continued to be a member. When the

Presbyterian church of Grundy Center was organized he and his wife were among the charter members, and he was, during the time of his connection there, made an elder of the church. When the Presbyterian church of Conrad was organized their membership was transferred to Conrad, they again taking part in the building up of a newly organized work. From the time of his membership in the Conrad church until the day of his death he has continued as an elder honored and loved, though age has prevented him from taking an active part in the work in late years. His one regret regarding his Christian life was that he did not acknowledge Christ at an earlier age. Always has his life told for righteousness and truth; and encouragement to all who came under its influence and an example of noble living that will live on in the memory of those who knew him.

For several months his strength has been failing and at times he seemed quite poorly yet as often rallying. Last Saturday he was able to walk about the house and when the end came, it came as the wearing out of the machinery of the body and not from disease.

About five o'clock Monday morning, July 4, 1904, the summons came peacefully and quietly. His age was 92 years, six months and thirteen days.

His children numbered eleven, with grandchildren and great-grandchildren the number is one hundred and sixteen.

In father Ralston's death he has fulfilled the scripture, "Thou shalt come to thy grace in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in its season."

A brief service was held at the late residence at two o'clock, Tuesday, July 5, and at the Alice church at three o'clock, conducted by Rev. A. G. Bailey, of La Porte City, Ia., the late pastor of the deceased, and Rev. T. N. Buchanan, pastor of the Conrad Presbyterian church, Interment at Alice Cemetery.

OBITUARY FOUND ON JAMES BARR RALSTON'S FIND A GRAVE SITE (1)

He was buried after 4 Jul 1904 at Alice Union Cemetery in Grundy, Iowa, United States.^{1,15-16}

James Barr Ralston and Nancy Jane McCormick^{9,17} were married about 1836 in Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States.¹⁸

Nancy Jane McCormick¹⁹⁻²⁰, daughter of James B McCormick and Sarah Hall, was born on 15 Oct 1818 in Westmoreland, Pennsylvania, United States.²¹

She was born on 16 Oct 1818 in Pennsylvania, United States.²²

She lived in North Buffalo Township, Armstrong, Pennsylvania, United States on 1 Jul 1850.⁶ Jane Ralston was listed on the 1850 census as a 31 year old female born in Pennsylvania.

Nancy lived in Ontario, Knox, Illinois, United States on 10 Jul 1860.⁶ Jane Ralston was listed on the 1860 census as a 41 year old female born in Pennsylvania.

She lived in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States on 8 Jun 1870.²³ Jane Ralston was listed on the 1870 census as a 50 year old female born in Pennsylvania. She was living in the household of James Ralston.

She lived in Grundy, Iowa, United States on 1 Jul 1880.^{11,24} Jane Ralston was listed on the 1880 census as a 51 year old female born in Pennsylvania. She was living in the household of James B. Ralston.

Nancy lived in Grundy, Iowa, United States in 1885.¹² Jane Ralston was listed as a 66 year old female born in Pennsylvania on the 1885 Iowa state census.

She lived in Felix Township, Grundy, Iowa, United States on 12 Jun 1900.²⁵ Jane Ralston was listed as the wife of James B. Ralston on the 1900 Grundy County Iowa census. According to

the census, Jane was born Oct 1819 in Pennsylvania. Jane was the mother of 11 children, 7 of whom were living in 1900.

She died on 3 Nov 1907 at the age of 89 in Grundy, Iowa, United States.^{21-22,26}

Nancy was buried in Nov 1907 at Alice Union Cemetery in Conrad, Grundy, Iowa, United States.^{21,27-29}

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My Canadian Line

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Do you have an immigrant ancestor that you keep forgetting is an immigrant? That's the case with my HARDING line. My Harding ancestors trace back to New York. However, they were Loyalists and left New York for Canada. Thus, when my third great grandfather, William G. Harding appears in Iowa, he is actually an immigrant, having migrated from New Brunswick to the United States.

William Gillies Harding

William Gillies Harding was born in 1804 in Hampton, Kings, New Brunswick.¹

He purchased land being in the Long Reach in the parish of Westfield, County of Kings and Province of New Brunswick known as lot no. five on 17 Feb 1830.²

He sold land being 50 acres in the Long Reach on 25 Apr 1832 in Westfield, Kings, New Brunswick.³

William lived in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick in 1851.⁴ William G. Harding is listed as the head of household on the 1851 census. Also in his household was Caroline, Abel, Thomas, Abijah, Julia, Isabella and Henry Harding. According to the census, William was a 47 year old widow who was born in New Brunswick.

He lived in Racine County, Wisconsin in 1858.⁵ William G. Harding was listed in the 1858 Racine Wisconsin directory as boarding at Western Plank Road c(orner) of fourteenth.

He lived in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States on 1 Jun 1860.⁶ Wm G Harding was listed on the 1860 census as a 54 year old farmer who was born in New Brunswick living in Mount Vernon, Black Hawk County, Iowa. According to the census, Wm Harding owned \$1200 real estate and \$300 in personal property. Also listed in the household was Elizabeth Harding, a 38 year old female born in Scotland; Thomas Harding, a 21 year of farm laborer who was born in New Brunswick; Joseph Ponsford, a 19 year old farm laborer who was born in New Brunswick; Rachel Ponsford a 16 year old female who was born in New Brunswick; Henry Harding a 14 year old male born in New Brunswick; Walter Ponsford, a 13 year old male born in New Brunswick; Alexander Ponsford, a 10 year old male born n New Brunswick and Hattie Harding a 3 year old female born in Wisconsin.

William died on 15 Aug 1865 at the age of 61 in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.^{1,7}

He was buried at Mount Vernon Cemetery in Waterloo, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.⁸

William Gillies Harding and Elizabeth Fowler⁹ were married on 16 Sep 1830 in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick.¹⁰⁻¹⁴

Elizabeth Fowler, daughter of and Thomas Fowler, was born in 1804 in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick.

She died on 29 Jan 1846 at the age of 42 in Westfield Parish, Kings, New Brunswick.

William Gillies Harding and Eliza Henderson were married after 1851.¹⁵⁻¹⁷

Eliza Henderson was born about 23 Nov 1817 in Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Scotland, United Kingdom.¹⁸⁻²¹

She lived in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States on 26 Jun 1860.⁶ Eliza was listed as Elizabeth Harding, a 38 year old female born in Scotland on the 1860 census.

She, was named as the widow of William Harding, receiving 1/9th of the proceeds from the sale of land by Julia Flewelling on 22 Oct 1866 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.²²

Eliza purchased land being S 1/ SW 1/4 Section 27 Township 90 N Range 13 W of the 5th PM for \$199 from Julia Flewelling on 3 Nov 1866 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.²³

She lived in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States on 29 Jun 1870.²⁴ Eliza Harding was listed as a 50 year old female head of household who was born in Scotland. Also listed in the household were Hattie C, a 12 year old female born in Wisconsin; Minnie O, a 6 year old female born in Iowa; Walter Ponsford, a 23 year old farmer born in New Brunswick; Rachael E Ponsford, a 25 year old female born in New Brunswick; and Alexander H. Ponsford a 21 year old male born in New Brunswick.

She lived in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States in Jul 1880.²⁵ Eliza Harding was listed as a 62 year old head of household on the 1880 census living in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk County, Iowa. According to the census, Eliza was born in Scotland. Also listed in the household were a daughter, Hattie, aged 21 and born in Wisconsin; daughter, Minnie, aged 16 and born in Iowa and son, Alexander Ponsford, aged 30 and born in New Brunswick.

Eliza lived in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States in 1885.²⁶ Eliza Harding was listed as a 66 year old female head of household on the 1885 Iowa census living in Mount Vernon Township, Black Hawk County, Iowa. Also listed in the household was 26 year old Hattie C Harding, 21 year old Minnie T. Harding and 33 year old Alexander H. Ponsford.

She signed a will on 18 Apr 1887 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.²⁷

She died on 23 May 1887 at the age of 69 in Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.^{19-21,28-29}

Eliza was buried on 25 May 1887 at Fairview Cemetery in Waterloo, Black Hawk, Iowa, United States.¹⁹⁻²⁰ Possibly Elizabeth Henderson

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Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 14, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BECKERDITE, RANDOLPH COUNTY, NC

Randolph County North Carolina

Marriage Records

1785-1868

by Frances T. Ingmire

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Groom – Bride – Date

Beckerdite, Bethel — Yeats, Gizeal – 30/20/1847

Beckerdite, Brice – Byrns, Issabel – 09/21/1824

Beckerdite, Brice – Capple, Adaline – 01/24/1845

Beckerdite, Emesley – Brown, Elizabeth – 07/23/1832

Beckerdite, Ezra – Ward, Faithfull – 12/07/1808

Beckerdite, Ezra – Pierce, Jane – 06/14/1842

Beckerdite, John T – Carter, Mary J – 02/01/1866

Beckerdite, John T – Laughlin, Jane – 02/17/1866

Beckerdite, Ninevoh – Perace, Uni – 07/22/1823

Beckerdite, Oliver C – Steed, Diza P. – 11/19/1862

Beckerdite, P. F. – Adams, Nancy H. – 04/03/1860

BECKERDITE, Bethel	YEATS, Gizeal	03/20/1847
BECKERDITE, Brice	BYRNS, Issabel	09/21/1824
BECKERDITE, Brice	CAPPLE, Adaline	01/24/1845
BECKERDITE, Emesley	BROWN, Elizabeth	07/23/1832
BECKERDITE, Ezra	WARD, Faithfull	12/07/1808
BECKERDITE, Ezra	PIERCE, Jane	06/14/1842
BECKERDITE, John T.	CARTER, Mary J.	02/01/1866
BECKERDITE, John T.	LAUGHLIN, Jane	02/17/1866
BECKERDITE, Ninevoh	PERACE, Uni	07/22/1823
BECKERDITE, Oliver C.	STEED, Diza P.	11/19/1862
BECKERDITE, P. F.	ADAMS, Nancy H.	04/03/1860
BECKNELL, Samuel	THRONBROUGH, Maryab	07/07/1921

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Bride – Groom – Date

Beckerdite, Amanda J. – Laughlin, Shubel G – 07/21/1866

Beckerdite, Catherine – Byrns, Enoch – 04/22/1823

Beckerdite, Ellenda – Means, Benjamin – 11/19/1801

Beckerdite, Linda – Robbins, Michael -07/14/1835

Beckerdite, Mary A. – Kindley, Wilson – 11/01/1860

Beckerdite, Nancy – Gray, Alexander – 07/26/1834

Beckerdite, Nancy – Spencer, Joseph – 05/10/1866

Beckerdite, Rebecca – Ward, Benjamin – 07/30/1815

Beckerdite, Susan A. – Steed, Henry L. – 10/21/1858

BECKER, Mary	STEPHENS, Lewis	06/05/1785
BECKERDITE, Amanda J.	LAUGHLIN, Shubel G.	07/21/1866
BECKERDITE, Catherine	BYRNS, Enoch	04/22/1823
BECKERDITE, Ellenda	MEANS, Benjamin	11/19/1801
BECKERDITE, Linda	ROBBINS, Michael	07/14/1835
BECKERDITE, Mary A.	KINDLEY, Wilson	11/01/1860
BECKERDITE, Nancy	GRAY, Alexander	07/26/1834
BECKERDITE, Nancy	SPENCER, Joseph	05/10/1866
BECKERDITE, Rebecca	WARD, Benjamin	07/30/1815
BECKERDITE, Susan A.	STEED, Henry L.	10/21/1858

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 15, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Draft List

Courier Tribune

January 23, 1941

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Draft List

Is Complete

Last Names Today

County has 1696 Regular

Numbers; Ment Taking

Physical Exams

The Courier-Tribune has

been printing the official

draft order list of numbers

and names, as a matter of

public service, a limited

section at a time. The list is

completed in today's paper.

The county has 1696 names on

its regular list. In the govern-

ment's drawing of lots, the last man in the county whose name will be called is Thomas Patrick Graney of northeast of Seneca. Since the regular numbers were drawn, two other men, Herman John Sunneberg and Francis Paul Sunneberg have been transferred to the Nemaha County list from Marshall county, since their legal residence is this county. Numbers were drawn for them. To save revision of the regular list, Herman Sunneberg is listed as No. 145A, his number to follow the regular No. 145; Francis Sunneberg becomes No. 312A, next in order after the regular 312. Men listed in class NO. 1A are being given medical examination, in turn. The government is "pretty Fussy" in its standards and acting in accordance doctors found only 11 of the first 19 men examined were completely fit. Six others were dropped to class 1-B as fit for limited service; two to class 4-F as physically disqualified. The draft order listing is completed below:

Draft Order
(Official List Continued)

1611 Joe Join Heinen
1612 Walter Fredrick Ditzfield

1613 Virgil Lee Slack
1614 Joseph Andrew Gudenkauf
1615 Maurice Latimer Wheeler
1616 Anthony John Rethman
1617 Anthony Mathias Schmidt
1618 James Edward Bartrum
1619 Virgil Morris Vestal
1620 James Francis Kromer
1621 John Alvy Beer
1622 David James Ducey
1623 Lawrence Fred Tangeman
1624 Clarence Paul Huerter
1625 Benedict Laurence Holthaus
1626 Russell John Mishler
1627 Ernest Frederick Ulmer
1628 Aloysius Peter Kongs
1629 Leonard Edward Lauer
1630 Marvin Eugene Jellison
1631 Arthur Edwin Wempe
1632 John Raymond Giesel
1633 Joseph Wm Wardlow
1634 Arthur Theodore Lindeen
1635 Thomas Joseph Henry
1636 Rex Gordon Snyder
1637 Joseph William Stuke
1638 Raymond Leo Becker
1639 Melbourne Miller McAferty
1640 Alcide Albert Charbonneau
1641 Lawrence John Winkler
1642 Raymond Alfred Bucher
1643 Lynn Frederick Eisenbarth
1644 Lyman Max Lyon
1645 Leonard Henry Grollmes
1646 Oscar Clempton Warfel

1647 Paul Raymond Hiltibrand
1648 Leland Daniel Strahm
1649 Harlan Jacob Wittmer
1650 Francis Loyd Turner
1651 Wilbur Summer Spiker
1652 Henry Joseph Holthaus
1653 Henry Joseph Buessing
1654 Raphael Josesph Lackey
1655 Emery Chester Grove
1656 Peter Henry Haverkamp
1657 Alber S. Hay, Jr
1658 Leo Lawrence Crevier
1659 Glenn Edward Jerome
1660 Roy Howard Rake
1661 Harold John Snyder
1662 Wm. Henry Slack
1663 Charles Joseph Liening
1664 Lawrence Fredilon Tanking
1665 Barrett Afred Hamilton
1666 Sylvester Clarence Strathman
1667 Lloyd Hobert Nutter
1668 Hugh Ashley Mitchell

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 16, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night

and Time for Some Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

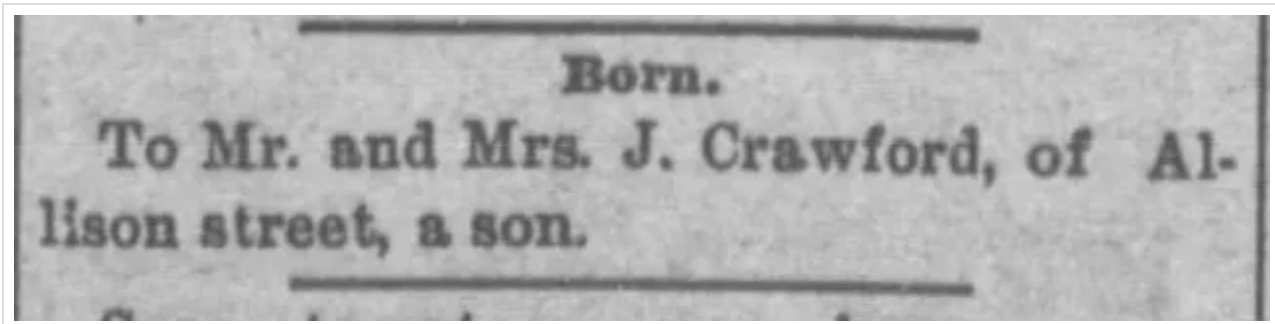
1) What is the day, month and year was your Grandfather born (either one)?

What was the day of the week for this event? Tell us how you found out.

2) What has happened in recorded history on your Grandfather's birth date (day and month)? Tell us how you found out, and list five events.

3) What famous people have been born on your Grandfather's birth date? Tell us how you found out, and list five of them.

My Grandfather Crawford was born 6 February 1894 in Newton, Kansas. While I knew I could use Google to figure out what day of the week this was, I also knew there was a birth announcement in the Newton, Kansas newspaper.



This birth announcement was published on FRIDAY 9 February 1894 in the Newton Daily Republican (on Newspapers.com). Thus the 6th would have been Tuesday.

A Google search for “what day of week was February 6 1894” turned up several useful sites for this blog post. The site, dayofweek.org, identifies the day of the week and what day in the year it was. Scrolling down on this site one finds a list of two people born on this same day: Eric Partridge, New Zealand lexicographer and Kirpal Singh, Indian religious figure.

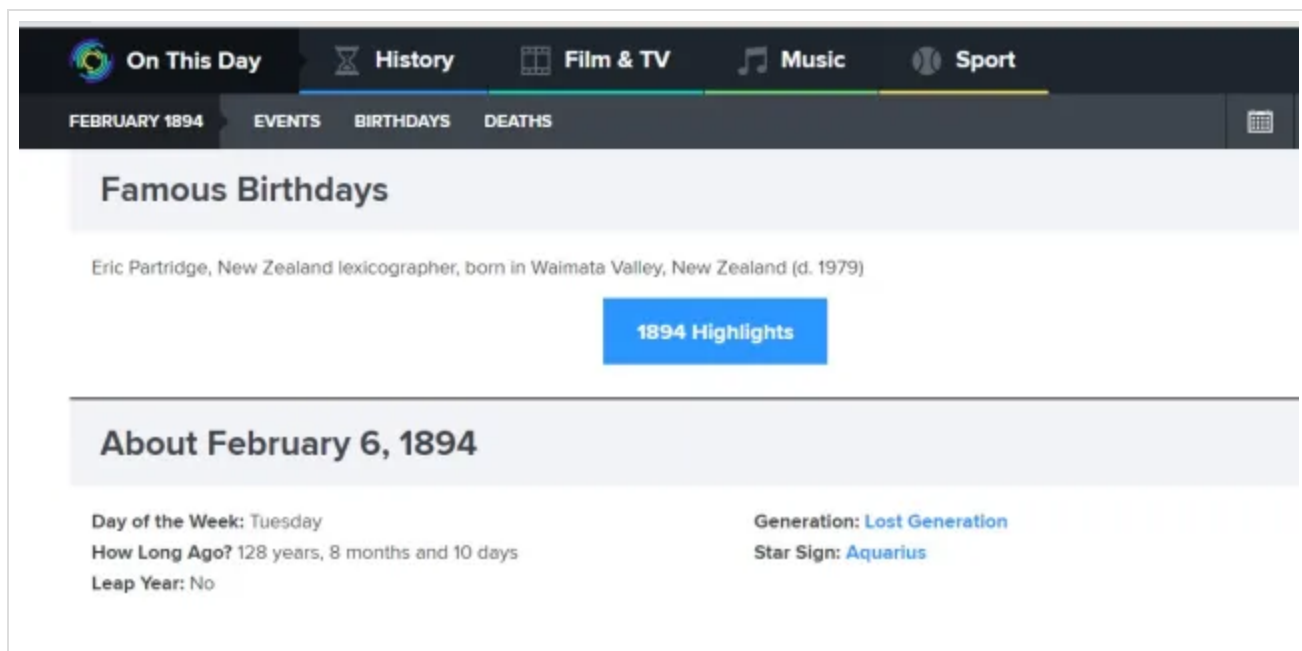
February 6, 1894
— Tuesday —

Al liquam condimentum tempor ultricies. Nam nec turpis ut neque fimbis eleifend vitae pretium dui. Phasellus tincidunt augue ac porttitor ornare. Phasellus in nulla erat. Cras rutrum lacinia molestie. Sed volutpat, odio at lobortis pretium, laevis ari viverra neque, ultricies placerat est ex at dolor. Maecenas euismod sit amet ligula vitae dignissim. Pellentesque eu fermentum ante, sed rutrum nisi. In eleifend nec sapien et porta. Maecenas ac accumsan ari. Invisi DayOfTheWeek.org

February 6, 1894: Day of the Week

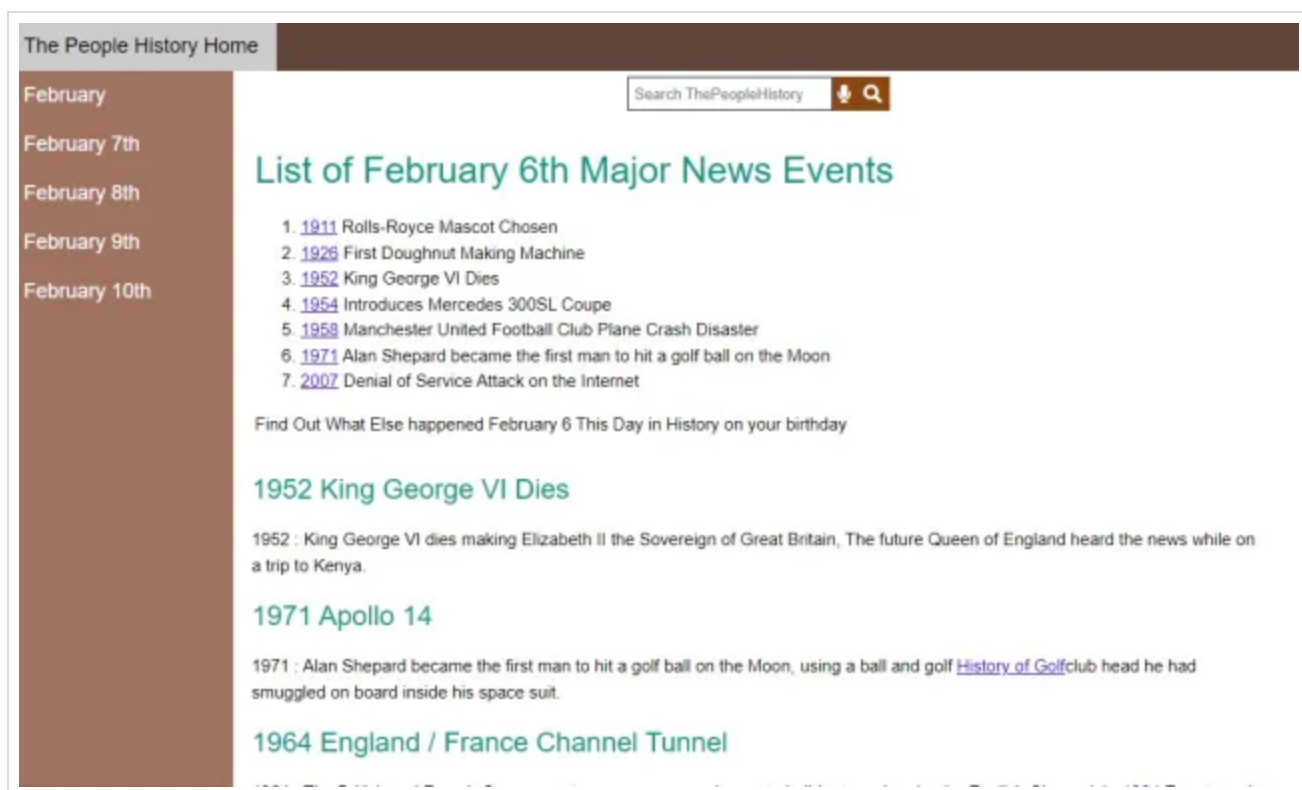
February 6, 1894 was the 37th day of the year 1894 in the Gregorian calendar. There were 328 days remaining until the end of the year. The day of the week was *Tuesday*.

Another site found via my Google search was On This Day, which provides some additional information about the day.



The screenshot shows the 'On This Day' website interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'On This Day', 'History', 'Film & TV', 'Music', and 'Sport'. Below these, a sub-navigation bar shows 'FEBRUARY 1894', 'EVENTS', 'BIRTHDAYS', and 'DEATHS'. The main heading is 'Famous Birthdays'. Below this, it lists 'Eric Partridge, New Zealand lexicographer, born in Waimata Valley, New Zealand (d. 1979)'. A blue button labeled '1894 Highlights' is visible. Further down, a section titled 'About February 6, 1894' provides details: 'Day of the Week: Tuesday', 'How Long Ago? 128 years, 8 months and 10 days', 'Leap Year: No', 'Generation: Lost Generation', and 'Star Sign: Aquarius'.

To find the events that have happened on February 6th, I did another Google search. This time, I searched for “events that happened on February 6th”. This search led me to ‘The People History’



The screenshot shows the 'The People History' website. The header includes 'The People History Home' and a search bar labeled 'Search ThePeopleHistory'. A sidebar on the left lists dates from 'February' to 'February 10th'. The main content area is titled 'List of February 6th Major News Events' and contains a numbered list of seven events:

1. [1911](#) Rolls-Royce Mascot Chosen
2. [1926](#) First Doughnut Making Machine
3. [1952](#) King George VI Dies
4. [1954](#) Introduces Mercedes 300SL Coupe
5. [1958](#) Manchester United Football Club Plane Crash Disaster
6. [1971](#) Alan Shepard became the first man to hit a golf ball on the Moon
7. [2007](#) Denial of Service Attack on the Internet

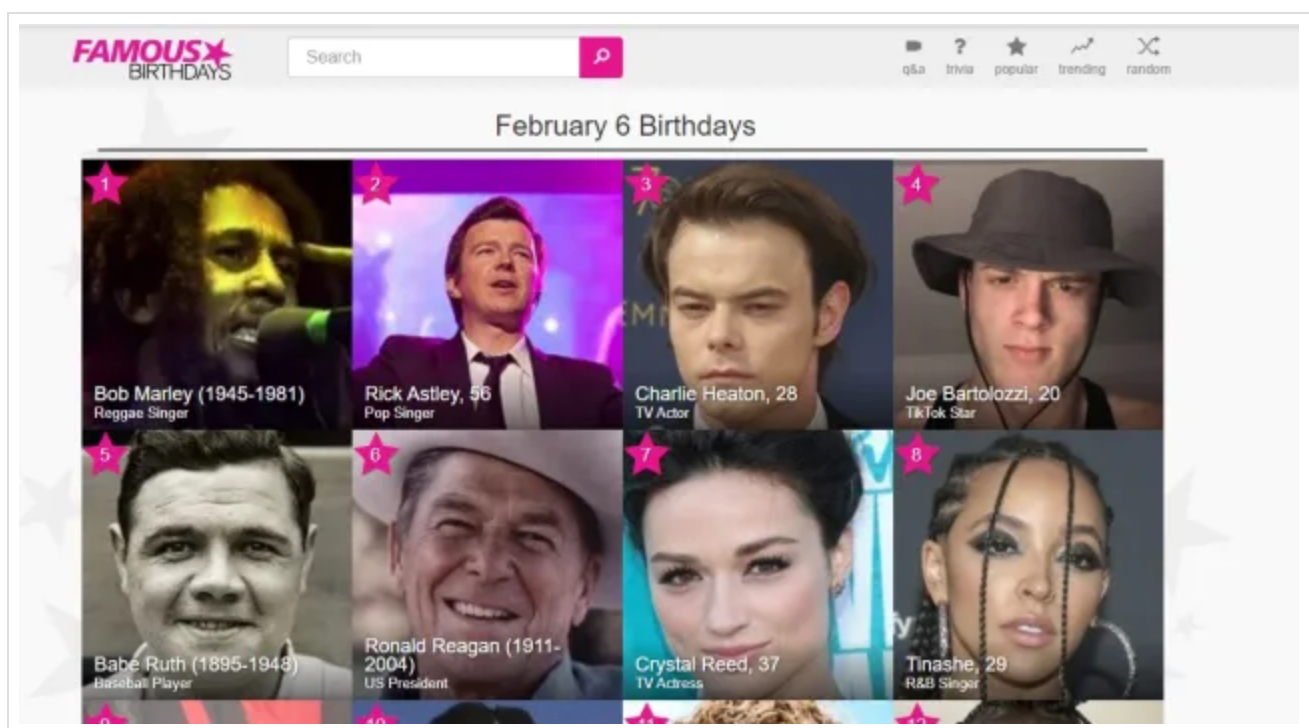
Below the list, there is a prompt: 'Find Out What Else happened February 6 This Day in History on your birthday'. Three specific events are highlighted with green text:

- 1952 King George VI Dies**: 1952 : King George VI dies making Elizabeth II the Sovereign of Great Britain, The future Queen of England heard the news while on a trip to Kenya.
- 1971 Apollo 14**: 1971 : Alan Shepard became the first man to hit a golf ball on the Moon, using a ball and golf [History of Golf](#) club head he had smuggled on board inside his space suit.
- 1964 England / France Channel Tunnel**

For my list of five events, I’m choosing events that I can relate to or that relate to my research.

- 1943 – Lt. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower becomes the commander-in-chief of all allied forces in North Africa (I had to choose this one since I'm a Kansan!)
- 1952 – King George dies making Elizabeth Queen of England
- 1971 – Alan Shepard hits a golf ball on the moon
- 2007 – Denial of service attacks on the Internet
- 2007 – Genealogist finds that Barack Obama is related to George Washington, James Madison, Harry Truman and Jimmy Carter thru his mother's side

To identify famous people born on February 6th, I did another Google search. This time, I searched for “who was born on February 6”. This led me to the Famous Birthdays site.



For my list of famous people born on February 6th, I'm going with names I recognize.

- Babe Ruth
- Ronald Reagan
- Aaron Burr
- Zsa Zsa Gabor
- Eva Braun

Since I don't pay much attention to singers and actors, I only recognized the five people I listed. Thus, I checked the site The Famous People and found some more names I actually

recognized:

- Tom Brokaw
- J.E.B. Stuart
- Thomas Durant
- Olena Zelenska
- Fabian Forte

Thanks Randy for the challenge!

Zebulon Foster

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 17, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: FOSTER, WARREN COUNTY

Zebulon Foster was born on 19 Aug 1808 in Pike, Ohio, United States.¹⁻⁶

He lived in Warren County, Indiana about 1830.⁷

In 1831, he was granted all lands held by Richard Foster on the waters of the Wabash in Richard Foster's will.⁸

Zebulon lived in Warren County, Indiana in 1832.⁹

He married Caroline Ostrander on 14 Feb 1833 in Pike, Ohio, United States.^{3-6,10-14}

He lived in Washington Township, Warren County, Indiana in 1836.⁴

He was among first members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1837 in Warren, Indiana, United States.⁴

Zebulon lived in Warren County, Indiana in 1840.¹⁵

He lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1850.¹⁶

He sold to John Stufflebeam land being part of W 1/2 NW 1/4 Section 14 Township 21 N Range 9 West on 8 Jan 1853 in Warren County, Indiana.¹⁷

Zebulon was witness of the will of Thomas Johnson on 15 Jul 1853 in Warren, Indiana, United States.¹⁸

He sold land to the Lake Erie Wabash and St. Louis Railroad company being a part of the NE 1/4 of Section Number (15) in township in Jan 1854 in Warren County, Indiana.¹⁹

He sold to James Howard land being 9 1/2 acres in the SW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of section 14 township 21 North range 9 west on 24 Jan 1854 in Warren County, Indiana.²⁰

Zebulon sold land to George Pence land being part of lot 1 in the West half of the NW 1/4 of Section 14 Township 21 Range 9 on 7 Feb 1854 in Warren County, Indiana.²¹

He sold land to Francis Wheeler being lot 4 in the NW division to the town of Lebanon on 23 May 1854 in Warren County, Indiana.²²

He sold to David Evans land being part of the W 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of section 14 township 21 north of range 9 on 4 Aug 1854 in Warren County, Indiana.²³

Zebulon lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1860.²⁴

He was listed on the tax rolls in 1865 in Pike Township, Warren, Indiana, United States.²⁵

He lived in Medina Township, Warren, Indiana, United States on 23 Jun 1870.²⁶

He married Juliet Fleming on 31 Aug 1876 in Warren County, Indiana.^{5,27-28}

Zebulon lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana in 1880.²⁹

He was a member of the Republican Party.⁴

He celebrated his 75th birthday in 1883 in Warren, Indiana, United States.³⁰

Zebulon celebrated his 80th birthday on 19 Aug 1888 in Warren, Indiana, United States.⁹

He died on 5 Sep 1889 at the age of 81 in Warren County, Indiana.^{2,31-32}

He was buried after 5 Sep 1889 at Redwood Cemetery in Warren County, Indiana.^{2,31}

Zebulon Foster and Caroline Ostrander were married on 14 Feb 1833 in Pike, Ohio, United States.^{3-6,10-14}

Caroline Ostrander, daughter of Edward Ostrander and Margaret Forbes, was born on 23 Mar 1814 in Ross, Ohio, United States.^{13,33-34}

She lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1850.¹⁶

She lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1860.³⁵

Caroline lived in Medina Township, Warren, Indiana, United States on 23 Jun 1870.³⁶

She died on 3 Jun 1871 at the age of 57 in Warren County, Indiana.^{4-5,13,31,34}

She was buried after 3 Jun 1871 at Redwood Cemetery in Warren County, Indiana.^{31,34}

Zebulon Foster and Juliet Fleming were married on 31 Aug 1876 in Warren County, Indiana.^{5,27-28}

Juliet Fleming was born on 15 Jan 1829.³⁸⁻³⁹

She lived in Medina Township, Warren, Indiana, United States in 1880.²⁹

She sold land being the Northeast quarter of section ten (10) and that portion of the west half of the southeast quarter of said section lying north & east of the Illinois Central Railroad and all being situated in Township Twenty one (21) North Range Nine (9) west on 15 Oct 1889 in Warren County, Indiana.⁴⁰

Juliet died on 31 Jan 1905 at the age of 76 in Jackson, Kansas, United States.^{38-39,41-42}

She was buried at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Jackson, Kansas, United States.^{38-39,41-42}

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Sellers

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 18, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: GARRARD COUNTY, INDIANA, SELLERS

Do you have ‘bushes’ in your tree? For anyone looking at my Heartland Genealogy tree on Ancestry, they may easily stumble upon a ‘bush’ and not realize that they aren’t on my ancestral tree. My Sellers research represents one such ‘bush’. Over the years, I have acquired quite a bit of information about the family of Nathaniel Sellers. This family connects to my CRAWFORD research in several ways:

- His son, James Sellers married Mary Crawford in 1791 in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Mary is thought to be the daughter of Rebecca Crawford who owned land in Garrard County, Kentucky.
- His son, William David Sellers married Sarah Crawford in 1796 in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Sarah is also thought to be a daughter of Rebecca Crawford.
- His son, Nathan A. Sellers, migrated to Preble County, Ohio and lived near the two James Crawford families.
- His granddaughter, Jane (daughter of Nathan A. Sellers) married Henry Duggins, stepson of James Crawford (my ancestor)

As I’m starting to review my research of James and Mary (Crawford) Sellers, I came across a reference to Weik’s History of Putnam County, Indiana, on archive.org. Within that book is a very interesting article about John L. Sellers and his father, John Crawford Sellers (son of James and Mary).



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John L. Sellers

Among the native sons of Warren township, Putnam county, who deserve a place in local history is John L. Sellers, who has spent his long life here and who has ever had the interest of his community at heart. His birth occurred August 25, 1836, the son of John Crawford Sellers, who was born March 26, 1796, in Garrard county, Kentucky. March 1, 1821, he married Fannie Brown and thirteen children resulted from this union, two of whom are living, John L. of this review, and Joseph B. whose death occurred in 1843; those deceased are, Mrs. Rebecca Gilmore, born in 1830, died in April, 1906; Mrs. Martha Ruark, born in 1838, died April 19, 1909; Mrs Lucy Ann Leach, born in 1822, died May 6, 1846; James Washington, born in 1823, died June 11, 1865; William, born in 1824, died October 5, 1850; Mary, born 1826, died October 2, 1853; Elizabeth born 1828, died October 16, 1858; Amanda J., born 1832, died November 13, 1836; Mrs. Nancy Talbott, born 1834; died February 8, 1872; Fannie E. (twin sister of John L.) born 1836, died November, 1856; Sarah b., born 1840, died in infancy.

The father of these children arrived in Putnam county in 1823, having a capital of only two hundred dollars. He bought eighty acres of land in section 5, Warren township, all in the woods, ten acres of which had been deadened. the first spring after he came here he rolled logs and assisted to build cabins for thirty-one days in succession. His only horse being crippled, he was compelled to tend his first crop of corn with a steer. He laid the "worm" rail of his fence at night and his wife wold finish building the fence the next day while he was doing other work. From time to time he added other land to his home farm until he owned four hundred acres of valuable land, entering most of it from the government. When he started out he worked for twenty-five cents per day to get money with which to buy his first land. When he came here the county was practically a wilderness and

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to get to Greencastle, then a hamlet composed of seven cabins, he was compelled to blaze his way through the heavy woods, composed

principally of tall oaks and dense underbrush. School houses and churches were unknown then and the chances for an education were very limited, but he gave his children such as could be obtained. he was a soldier in the war of 1812, his regiment being organized principally in the northern frontier and he was in the famous charge when the Indian chief Tecumseh was killed at the battle of the Thames. Mr. Sellers was an industrious,, plain, honest man, who never sought or held office. For forty years he and his wife were members of the Presbyterian church at Putnamville, he being an elder during the greater part of that time, giving liberally and cheerfully of his means for the advancement of the church's interest, and he did much to develop the resources of the county. His death occurred November 1, 1874, at the age of seventy-eight years, his wife surviving until 1878, dying in her seventy-seventh year and they are buried at the old Putnamville cemetery.

John L. Sellers the immediate subject of this review, spent his youth on the home farm, having the advantage of a three-months subscription school each winter. September 4, 1862, he enlisted in Company L. Forty-fifth Regiment, Third Indiana Cavalry, under Capt. O. M. Powers and Lieut. G. J. Langsdale and he served with credit until the close of the war.

On December 11, 1866, Mr. Sellers married Mary Matkins of Greencastle, and they went to live with his parents, with whom he remained during their lifetime — in fact, he has since made his home on the parental farm, devoting his attention exclusively to general farming and stock raising, being very successful in each.

Mr. Sellers very ably served his township as trustee for a period of four years. He is known as a very liberal man, generous and kind hearted, and he has thus been imposed upon, having frequently paid notes on which he was security. He is a member of the Presbyterian church and was an elder in the same for years, also a trustee for many years. Mrs. Sellers, was also a faithful member of the Methodist church. She died October 20, 1879, having borne her husband seven children, namely: Edward J., born September 11, 1867, married Clara Silver, and they are the parents of seven children: Arthur U., Lawrence L., Ethel V., Joyne M. Louisa A., Harold G. and Edward L. Katherine A. Sellers was born in November,

1868; she has remained single and is living at home. Jenni L., born in April 1870, died in November, 1882. Nannie E., born July 4, 1872 is the wife of Alonzo Day and they have two children, Hazel and Russell (deceased). Sarah F.

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born in October, 1874, died may 20, 1879. Minnie B., born February 15, 1876, married Charles R. Grogan and they had four children: Grace May, Jennie (died October 22, 1902), Dorothy F., and Esther A. Ida M. Sellers is the wife of Hays Williams; she was born August 1, 1879, and they have two children, Estelle L. and Hubert L.

On August 3, 1880 John L. Sellers married a second time, his last wife being Elizabeth Wells, daughter of Levi and Katherine Wells of Greencastle, and this union resulted in the birth of three children: William C., born August 21, 1881, married Grace Haymaker, and they have one child, John Riley; Mary E., born January 17, 1884, and Myrtle O., born July 5, 1891, graduated from the Greencastle high school in the class of 1910.

WEIK JESSE W., WEIK'S HISTORY OF PUTNAM COUNTY INDIANA (INDIANAPOLIS, IN: B. F. BOWEN & COMPANY, PUBLISHERS, 1910), PAGES 472-474; ARCHIVE.ORG VIEWED ONLINE 7 OCTOBER 2022.

Luna Seller

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 19, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BOTETOURT COUNTY, CRAWFORD, INDIANA, SELLERS, TENNESSEE

As I've been updating my data on the descendants of James Sellers and his wife, Mary Crawford, I came across a SELLER biography in Weik's History of Putnam County, Indiana. Even though the surname is slightly different, there is a connection between the two families.

According to the Luna Seller biography, his grandmother was Rebecca Sellers. I believe this Rebecca Sellers is the daughter of James and Mary (Crawford) Sellers.

Not only did Luna Seller inherit CRAWFORD DNA thru his great-grandmother (Mary Crawford Sellers, mother of Rebecca Sellers Seller), but also thru his grandmother, Mary Crawford Seller, wife of Theophilus Seller.

According to the Luna Seller biography, Myra Crawford was the daughter of Moses and Melinda Crawford. The FamilySearch tree shows that Myra's grandfather was English Crawford. While I haven't encountered this branch of the CRAWFORD family in my research of Garrard County, Kentucky, there may be a connection since English Crawford was married in Botetourt county, Virginia before migrating to Knox County, Tennessee. Thus, the English Crawford family is going to be added to my Crawford fan club.

I doubt I would have uncovered this connection if I hadn't been going back thru my research and using digital versions of the county history versus relying on my original photocopies!

Luna Seller



Luna W. Seller

In studying the interesting life histories of many of the better class of men, and the ones of unquestioned merit and honor, it will be found that they have been compelled, very largely, to map out their own career and furnish their own motive force in scaling the heights of success and it is such a one that the biography is pleased to write of in the following paragraphs.

Luna W. seller, whose fine farm is located in Jefferson township, Putnam county, Indiana, was born in the city of Greencastle, this county, on the 21st day of December, 1868. He is the son of Theophilus and Myra (Crawford) Seller. Theophilus Seller was born in Greencastle, January 21, 1827, the son of John F. and Rebecca (Sellers) Seller.

John F. Seller, one of the first settlers of Putnam county, was born in Harrison county, Kentucky, February 22, 1791. In early life he removed to Garrard county, Kentucky, where he married Rebecca Sellers, July 24, 1817. She was a native of Garrard county, born November 12, 1797. In 1822 he came with his family to Putnam county, Indiana, and settled on section 27, Greencastle township, later removing to section 21 of that township. John F. and Rebecca Seller had twelve children, of which Theophilus, father of the subject was the fifth in order of birth. The others were: Delorians, born January 12, 1819; James W. P., born December 4, 1820; Milton H., born November 12, 1822; Columbus D., born October 11, 1824, and died October 4, 1853; Bainbridge B., born August 18, 1828, and died August 11, 1829; Louisa J., born February 14, 1830, and died August 25, 1845; John F., born September 28, 1831, and died September 27, 1858; Rebecca Ann, born July 20, 1833, and died May 11, 1843; Western W., born April 9, 1835; Elizabeth H., born February 1, 1838, and died May 17, 1843;

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Tabitha C., born May 6, 1840, and Theophilus Seller, who became a physician and was well-known as a highly respected citizen. He died September 6, 1871.

The subject's mother was born in 1838 in Hendricks county, Indiana and was the daughter of Moses and Melinda (Churchman) Crawford.

Theophilus Seller received a good preliminary education and then studied medicine. He followed the active practice of his profession for a time, but finding that line of work detrimental to his health he gave up his professional work and thereafter applied himself to agricultural pursuits until his death, which occurred in 1871. Sometime after his death, his widow married Wallace Johnstone, by whom she has a daughter, Minnie, the wife of Robert C. Schell, of st. Louis, where she now resides with them. To Theophilus and Myra Seller were born three children, Walter, Jennie and Luna. Walter is engaged in the grocery business in Greencastle, Jennie is the wife of William Randel, of Greencastle.

Luna W. Seller was reared by his parents and received his education in the public schools of Greencastle, also attending an academy in that city. After completing his education, he devoted himself to farming, with which he has been identified continuously since. In 1889 he located on the farm in section 15, Jefferson township, where he now resides. He had formerly owned one hundred and ten acres of the old home farm, but now his holdings in section 15 amount to one hundred and ninety acres, nearly all of which is under a high state of cultivation and yielding bountiful crops. Mr. Seller carries on general farming, raising all the crops common to this section of the country. He has also given some attention to the raising of live stock, with considerable success. In 1895 Mr. Seller built a substantial and attractive residence and the property is otherwise highly improved, its appearance reflecting credit on the owner.

On May 7, 1893, Mr. Seller married Nettie, the daughter of Francis M. and Sarah E. (Sandy) Allee, who are mentioned elsewhere in this work. To this union has been born a son, Hubert, who is now a student in the high school at Greencastle.

Politically Mr. Seller is a Republican, while his religious affiliation is with the New Providence Baptist church. Fraternally he is a member of the Knights of Pythias, holding membership in the subordinate lodge at Belle Union. He is a man of splendid personal qualities and is public spirited in his attitude toward all movements for the advancement of the best

interests of the community. Because of his genuine worth he enjoys the esteem of all who know him.

WEIK JESSE W., WEIK'S HISTORY OF PUTNAM COUNTY INDIANA (INDIANAPOLIS, IN: B. F. BOWEN & COMPANY, PUBLISHERS, 1910), PAGES 341-342; ARCHIVE.ORG VIEWED ONLINE 7 OCTOBER 2022.



1812 Soldiers

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

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/ CATEGORIES: INDIANA, SELLERS

While researching descendants of James Sellers and his wife, Mary Crawford, I came across the following newspaper article in the 27 July 1871 Greencastle Banner regarding veterans of the war of 1812. This paper is part of the Hoosier State Chronicles collection.



Soldiers of 1812 in Putnam County

The following list of the survivors of the war of 1812 residing in this county, is taken from the rolls of the Pension Agent at Indianapolis, through whom they draw their pensions:

Archibald Cooper, of Captain J. Brock's Company, Tennessee Militia, Putnamville.

Joseph Denny, of captain Robert B. McAfee's company, Kentucky Militia, Putnamville

Eliza Hill, of Capt. T. Metcalf's company Kentucky Militia, Greencastle

Jacob McVay, of Capt. Benjamin Anderson's company, Pennsylvania Militia, Groveland.

Jacob Pickle, of Capt. James Shelton's company, Virginia Militia, Carpentersville.

John C. Sellers, of Capt. James Davidson's company, Kentucky Militia, Putnamville.

John F. Sellers, of Capt. James Coleman's company, Kentucky Militia, Greencastle

Jacob Snider, of Capt. Joseph Everet's company, Tennessee Militia, Greencastle.

John Standeford, of Capt. J. Watkin's company, Kentucky Militia, Greencastle

William Stokes, of Capt. John Crawford's company, Kentucky Militia, Russellville.

There are a number in the county whose names do not appear on this list, among them Peter G. Applegate of this city. They are requested to send us their names.

"SOLDIERS OF 1812 IN PUTNAM COUNTY," GREENCASTLE BANNER (GREENCASTLE, INDIANA), 27 JULY 1871, PAGE 3; DIGITAL IMAGES, HOOSIER STATE CHRONICLES (NEWSPAPER.LIBRARY.IN.GOV : VIEWED ONLINE 12 OCTOBER 2022).

Another article in the April 14 1858 issue of the Greencastle Banner lists even more people who served in the War of 1812.

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For the Putnam Republican Banner

The War of 1812

At a meeting of the surviving soldiers of the War of 1812, residing in Putnam County, held on the 27th day of March 1858, at Greencastle. Col. Alexander S. Farrow was called to the Chair and Joseph F. Farley was appointed Secretary.

Present: Joseph Denny, William Cooper, Elisha W. Fulton, Eli Brackney, Peter W. Applegate, Jesse Jones, John W.

Jones, William Torr, Daniel Welker, George Black, Daniel Harrah, David Eller, Joseph Collier, Joseph F. Farley, Samuel Taylor, John Standiford, Alexander S. Farrow, Hugh Reat, Isaac Mahan and William Atherton.

The object of the meeting being to ascertain the names of all the surviving soldiers of War of 1812, residing in Putnam County, the following names, in addition to those present as above, is believed to include the entire



number:

Isaac Peck, Elijah Wilkinson, Elza Hill, Thomas Boswell, George Priest, John C. Wingate, John Allen, Eli Tarbutton, Charles Hunter, James Swinford, Lazarus Tilley, John C. Seller, Thomas Gilmore, Lenox M. Knight, Noah Harris, Thomas Lemon, John Cotton, Richard Bowen, James Shields, John F. Seller, Simpson Harris, Joseph Albin, John Reel, Henry Waln, Alexander Wilson, Jacob McVey, John F Gilky, William Stokes, William McElroy, Archibald Cooper, Robert Palmer, Henry Mills, George Justice, Alexander, Greenlee, Jacob Picket, Michael Moser, Thomas Tiffin, Robert Miller, James Torr, Scady Chandler, Daniel Chadd, Joseph Dunkin, William King, Joseph Lasley, James Gordon, Lewis Shell, John Boswell, Samuel Emerson and Wm. Aldridge.

Attest: A. S. Farrow, Chm'r

J. F. Farley, Sec'y

"THE WAR OF 1812," GREENCASTLE BANNER (GREENCASTLE, INDIANA), 14 APRIL 1858, PAGE 2; DIGITAL IMAGES, HOOSIER STATE CHRONICLES (NEWSPAPER.LIBRARY.IN.GOV : VIEWED ONLINE 12 OCTOBER 2022).

Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 21, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BECKERDITE

My BECKERDITE folder yielded another set of marriage records from Randolph County, North Carolina. While my original set of notes were photocopies from the book, current researchers can not only locate a digital copy of the book, but also access the original marriage bonds.

The book, Randolph County, North Carolina Marriage Bonds, is now available on the FamilySearch site. A search of the FamilySearch catalog also locates the source, Marriage Bonds (Randolph County, North Carolina), 1779-1868. Not only has this microfilm been digitized but it is also indexed.

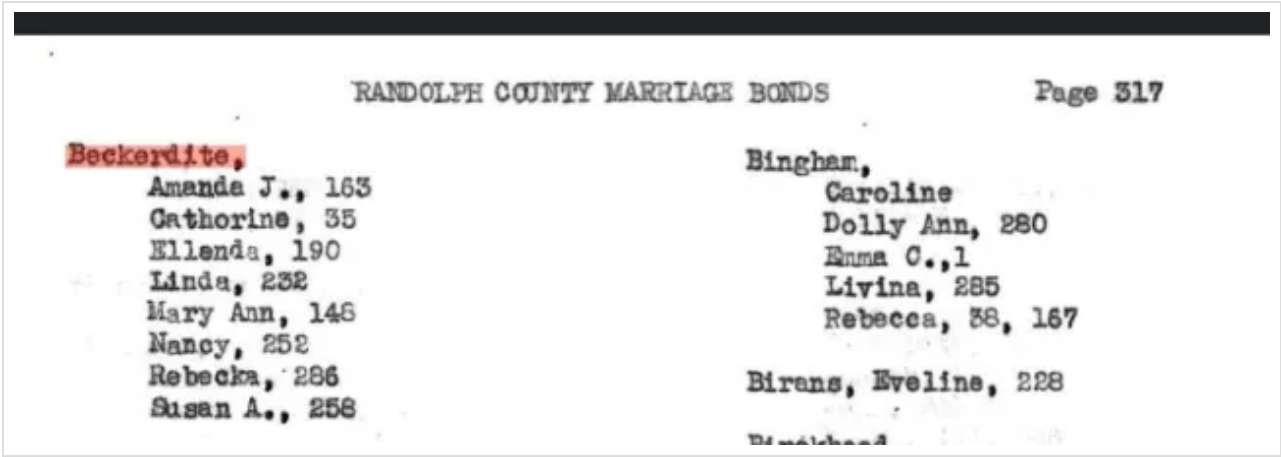
A simple search of the microfilm index for the surname, BECKERDITE, produces a list of records of marriage bonds for both the grooms and one bride containing the name, BECKERDITE.

The screenshot displays the FamilySearch website interface. At the top, there are navigation links: Family Tree, Search, Memories, Get Involved, and Activities. A user profile for Marcia Philbrick is visible in the top right. The main content area shows search results for the surname BECKERDITE, with 15 results found. The results are filtered by 'Marriage' and 'Collection'. The table lists the following records:

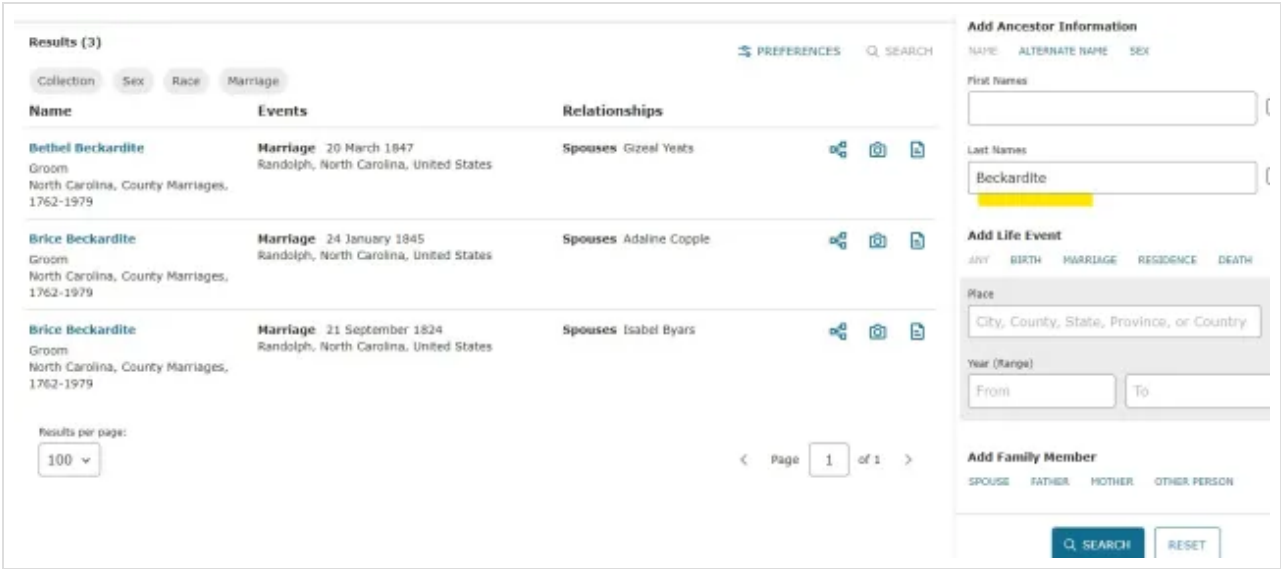
Name	Events	Relationships
Ezra Beckerdite Groom North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979	Marriage 14 June 1842 Randolph, North Carolina, United States	Spouses Jane Pierce
J Beckerdite Groom North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979	Marriage 17 February 1866 Randolph, North Carolina, United States	Spouses Jane Laughlin
P F Beckerdite Groom North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979	Marriage 27 March 1860 Randolph, North Carolina, United States	Spouses Nancy H Adams
John Beckerdite Groom North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979	Marriage 17 February 1866 Randolph, North Carolina, United States	Spouses Jane Laughlin

The sidebar on the right contains a 'Search' section with fields for 'First Names' and 'Last Names' (containing 'Beckerdite'). Below this is the 'Add Life Event' section with tabs for ANY, BIRTH, MARRIAGE, RESIDENCE, and DEATH. The 'MARRIAGE' tab is selected, showing fields for 'Place' (City, County, State, Province, or Country) and 'Year (Range)' (From and To). At the bottom is the 'Add Family Member' section with tabs for SPOUSE, FATHER, MOTHER, and OTHER PERSON.

Comparing the indexed records to my transcription from the book, there was one bride in the index that were not in the pages I photocopied from the book. However, a search of the digital copy of the book, locates the bride’s index which contains more brides with the surname, BECKERDITE.



Not only is there a discrepancy between the book and the index of the actual records for the brides, but there are three grooms that do not show up in my initial search. When I searched by the first name of one of them (Brice), I found that the record for Brice used a different spelling for the surname: Beckardite.

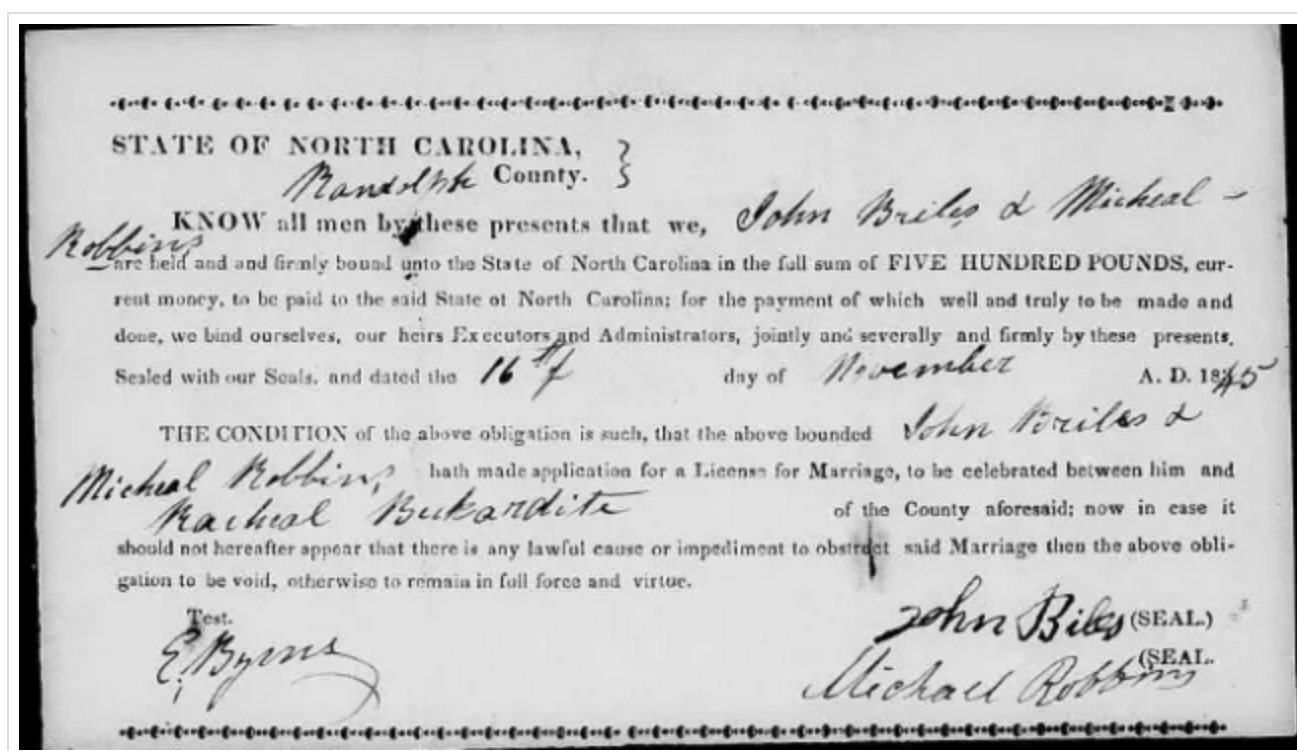


Of the six BECKERDITE brides in the index, I could only locate five in the book. Of those five, only Catherine was listed in my initial BECKERDITE search of the ABBOTT-BYRNS bonds. Assuming that spelling could be an issue, I also searched by the spouses surname and by the brides first name. These searches only turned up one other record for a bride. Even though

the groom's name matched the book, the bride's first name in the book was Linda while it is Rachel in the index.

Micheal Robbins Groom North Carolina, County Marriages, 1762-1979	Marriage 16 November 1945 Randolph, North Carolina, United States	Spouses Racheal Bukardite	 
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A search of the index to the bonds for the surname spelling, Bukardite, only turns up the record for Racheal Bukardite. Since the index record for Rachael has a link to the image, I checked it to see whether this could also be the record for Linda.



The image of the bond shows that the index correctly listed the bride's name as Racheal. Comparing this record to the information in the book also reveals a date discrepancy. The Racheal Buckardite bond is dated 16 Nov 1845. However, the book indicates that there is a bond for Michael Robbins to Linda Beckerdite dated 14 July 1835.

While working with different spellings of the BECKERDITE surname found all of the grooms listed in the book, that did not find all of the brides. However, when I switched to the roll of film for the groom's surname for Michael Robbins, I was able to locate a bond for Michael

Robbins and Linda Beckerdite. In this case the BECKERDITE surname was spelled BECKERETITE. (However, the bond for Michael Robbins and Racheal Bukardite has not been found in this index.)



This experience has shown me that the book transcribing these records is vital when trying to locate all of the records for a specific surname. Without the book, I likely would not have checked all of the spellings. Nor would I have checked the other rolls of microfilm. A search of the digital copy of the book also finds the others signing the bond or the person performing a marriage. These bondsmen, witnesses, ministers and justices are not found when using the index to the microfilm. I'd never have gone thru this process if I hadn't started with my old photocopy from the book buried in my files.

Below is my transcription from the book.



*Randolph County, North Carolina
Marriage Bonds*

*Typed by
The Genealogical Society of Utah
Salt Lake City, Utah
1944*

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Groom — Bride — Date of Bonds — Bondsman & Witness

Beckerdite Bethel x — Gizeal Yeats — 20 Mar 1847 — Enoch Byrns

Beckerdite, Brice x — Issabel Byrns — 21 Sept 1824 — Enoch Byrns (w)
Hugh McCain

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Beckerdite, Brice — Adaline Capple — 24 Jan 1845 — Michael Robbins (w)
Hugh McCain

Beckerdite Emesley — Elizabeth Brown — 23 July 1832 — J(o)el Boggs (w)
Jesse Harper

Beckerdite, Ezra — Faithfull Ward — 7 Dec 1808 — Amos Beckerdite

Beckerdite, Ezra — Jane Pierce — 14 June 1842 — E(noch) Byrns

Beckerdite J(ohn) T. — Mary J. Carter — 2 Dec. 1865 — Jesse Steed (w) J.
H. Brown, clk. Md. 1 Feb 1866 by George E. Wyche, M.G.

Beckerdite, J(ohn) T. — Jane Lauglin — 17 Feb 1866 — Michael Robbins
(w) J. H. Brown, Clk. Md. 17 Feb 1866 by John Robbins, J. P.

Beckerdite, Oliver c. — Diza P. Steed — 19 Nov. 1862 — Emsley Beckerdite
(w) J. H. Brown, C.C.C. Md. 19 Nov 1862 by James Hopkins

Beckerdite, P. F. — Nancy H. Adams — 27 Mar 1860 — -Jesse G. Hinshaw
(w) B. F. Hoover, C.C.C. Md. 3 Apr. 8160 by J. C. Thomas

Beckerdite, Ninevoh x — Uni Pearce — 2 July 1823 — Ezra Beckerdite (w)
Hugh McCain

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*Byrns, En(o)ch — Catherine Beckerdite — 22 apr 1823 — Nineva -x-
Beckerdite (w) B. Elliott*

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Groom — Bride — Date of Bonds — Bondsman & witness

*Laughlin, Shubel G. — Amanda J. Beckerdite — 20 July 1866 — J(ohn) T
Beckerdige (w) J. H. Brown, clk md. 21 July 1866 by W. A. Dougan*

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Groom — Bride — Date of Bonds — Bondsman & Witness

*Me(a)ns, Be(n)jamin — Ellenda Beckerdite — 19 Nov 1801 — John
Beckerdite (w) P. Wright*

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*Robbins, Michael — Linda Beckerdite — 14 July 1835 — William Robbins
(w) Hugh McCain*

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*Spencer, Joseph — Nancy Beckerdite — 8 May 1866 — Isaac White (w) J.
H. Brown, clerk Md 10 May 1866 by William McGee, J.P.*

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Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 22, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Nemaha County American Legion provides 'send off' for first draftees called into service in February 1941.



Legion to Honor Draftees at Bern

Nemaha county Legionnaires will honor 1941 draftees just as the Old Soldiers of the Civil War honored the Boys of '17 and '18 That was decided at a meeting of the Legion at Centralia. Next county meeting will be held at Bern. The next contingent of the draft will be escorted to Bern by the ex-service men and there will be an appropriate program. Earle W. Taylor Post gave an oyster supper tot he Auxiliary at the club rooms here Thursday nigh, an informal and highly enjoyed evening. Legionnaires prepared the oysters and trimmings.

**"LEGION TO HONOR DRAFTEES AT BERN," COURIER TRIBUNE. PAGE 2, 27 JAN 1941.
AVAILABLE ONLINE.**

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*Boys of '17;
Boys of '41*

United at Bern

*The Legion in a Send-
Off to Next
Monday's Selectees*

The boys of '17 had a chance Monday night to see just how robust they were when Uncle Sam drafted them to go to the first World war. In comparison wit the huskies who leave early Monday morning to answer the call of the country, Old Elmer of the American Legion finds himself bog spavined and windbroken.

It all happened in Bern Monday night when 85 Legionnaires, who belong to six posts in this county, joined in wishing the recruits happy landings. If the real truth is known — and Acting County Commander Harley E. Wilcox expressed the thought the Old soldiers feel their noses are out of joint.

“We are envious of the youth that lets you go,” said Wilcox. “We sincerely hope that you will not be called into conflict but if it does come to that we want you to know we are behind you 100 per cent. There is something in army service that inspires a man — more than anything else on earth — to

love of country and we know you too will feel the thrill of the Old Red, White and Blue.”

Only five of the 14 selectees were in Bern Monday night but it was explained that the demands on the time of the boys are so heavy this week that some found they could not fill all their dates, considering too, their datings.

Andy Strahm, Bern commander, who was a member of the first contingent of five men which went to Camp Funston on the first draft in ‘17, opened Monday night’s proceedings and ordered the flag advanced.

Scott Berridge, Holton, who is expected to be a candidate for Kansas department commander next fall, gave the principal address. After urging all ex-service men to register in next Saturday’s enrollment, Mr. Berridge, held close attention, by his eloquence. He feels the Legion has no apology to make for its 22 year contribution to American thought but he also thinks the organization should adapt itself to the rapidly changing events of the day.

“As a matter of fact,” he said, “The Legion is only at the threshold of its influence for Americans may soon be called up to make sober decisions which may profoundly affect what we are pleased to call the American way of life.”

Berridge traced the beginnings of the American way in the Declaration of Confederation, te Constitution and the Bill of Rights; called attention to freedom of assembly, speech and press and the right of petition and inquired where on the continent of Europe such privileges exist today. He thinks America again faces a crisis in the breaking of pledges and treaties. He believes the mission of the Legion is to cultivate a group mind among Americans that will stamp out subversive influences for all time.

“America,” he told the Legion, “stands as the last stronghold of human liberties. We have been too materialistic. We need to remind ourselves that the individual is more important than dividends.

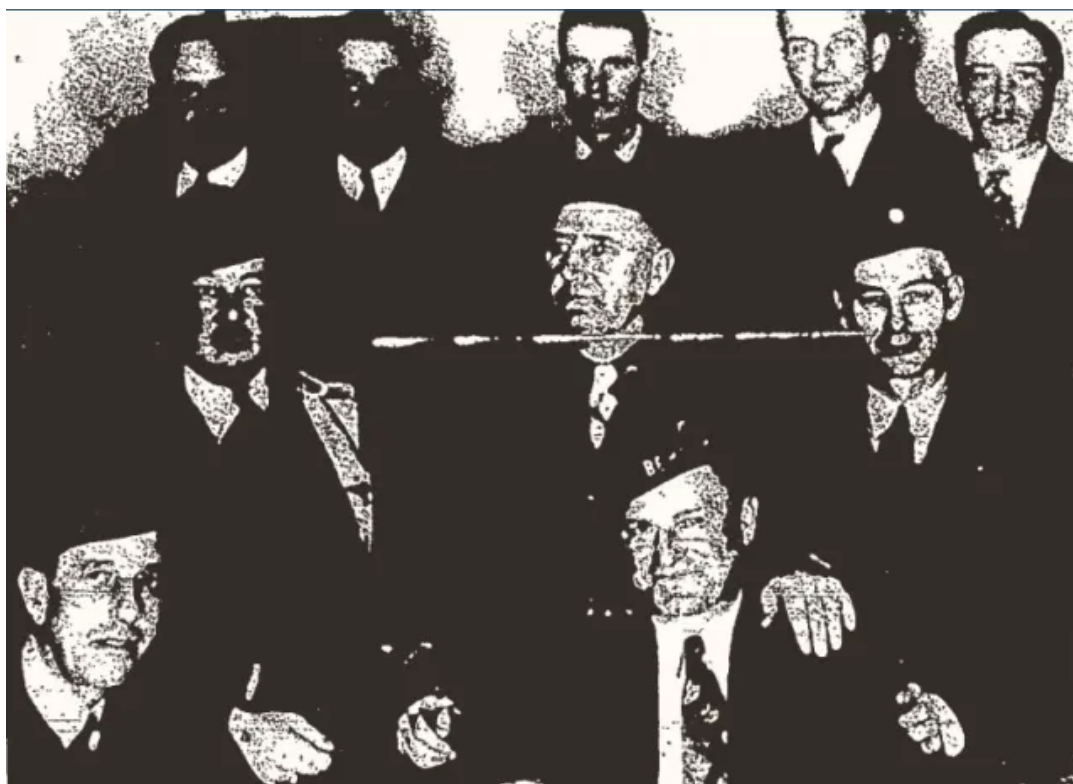
“Our national debt is appalling,” he said, “and yet I am more afraid of bankrupt ideals than I am of bankrupt economy.”

Berridge cautioned the selectees not to allow themselves to be dismayed by the little hardships of army life. “Some of you will probably not care for it but others will come to love it. The public will be watching you,” he said, “and deeply concerned in your welfare. you are conditioning your minds and bodies for the preservation — if need be — of those things which re dearer than life itself.”

Harold Geiger, Sabetha, implored Legionnaires to buy uniforms. The Legion full dress outfit can not be obtained for 412.

The county Legion will meet in Sabetha early in April, the March meeting to be skipped. The district convention will be held in Atchison May 4th and 5th.

“We’re a Little Envious,” They Say



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Legionnaires of the associated Nemaha county posts, gave their younger buddies a “send off” in a meeting at Bern Monday night. Acting Commander Harley E. Wilcox, addressing the Boys of ‘41, confessed some degree of envy of their youth and their opportunity to defend the Old Flag.

Shown standing in this picture left to right, are five Nemaha county selectees. Four of the five are to report for duty at midnight Sunday, leaving at 2:00 a.m. eastbound for the reception center at Leavenworth. They are Robert G. Adriance, Seneca; Gerald Wempe, Seneca; Cyril Olberding, Baileyville; and Clarence Hazlett, Onaga. Homer Turner, Oneida, fifth in this row, probably will not get to go with this contingent, being at the foot of the list and displaced by volunteers.

The Legionnaires shown above are: second row, left to right: Edward R. Levick, post commander, Seneca; Scott Berridge, Holton, who stands a good show of being the next department commander of Kansas; Harley E.

Wilcox, county adjutant. Bottom row, Ray Condit, post commander, Centralia; Andy Strahm, post commander, Bern.

"BOYS OF '17. BOYS OF '41, UNITED AT BERN," THE COURIER TRIBUNE, 20 FEB 1941, PAGE 2. AVAILABLE ONLINE.



Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 23, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night

Time for More Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible music here) is to:

1) What genealogy fun have you had this past month? What is your genealogy highlight of the past month. It could be attending or watching a webinar or local genealogy society meeting, it could be finding a new ancestor, or it could be reading a new genealogy book, or anything else that you have enjoyed.

Since I don't keep a 'calendar' of what I accomplish each day, I'm not really certain what all I've done during the past month. While I post about my research, many of those posts are posted a week or more into the future versus on the day I did the research. Thus, my October blog posts may have actually been researched in September or earlier in the year.

Looking thru my October blog posts, I would have to say there are two 'categories' of highlights: records found in my files and county history finds.

Working thru the records I have collected for Hiram Currey of Peoria County, Illinois was definitely a highlight. Not only did I learn a lot about the time period and the Peoria

community by transcribing those records, but I was also able to locate some of the documents referred to in the indexes.

- Commissioner
- Land Dispute
- Peoria and the Black Haw War
- Friday Find – Currey / Dixon Court document
- Provenance
- Thirty Years – Hiram M Currey of Peoria, Illinois

And then there's the information I'm finding in books for the SELLERS family. Interestingly, these county histories not only have information on the SELLERS surname, but they often contain mentions of CRAWFORD families. My current research project is for the family of James Sellers and Mary Crawford. While I would love to find information about Mary's family, these county histories have mentioned two other CRAWFORD lines. While these lines may connect with the SELLERS family, they do not appear to connect with Mary Crawford's family. These lines include

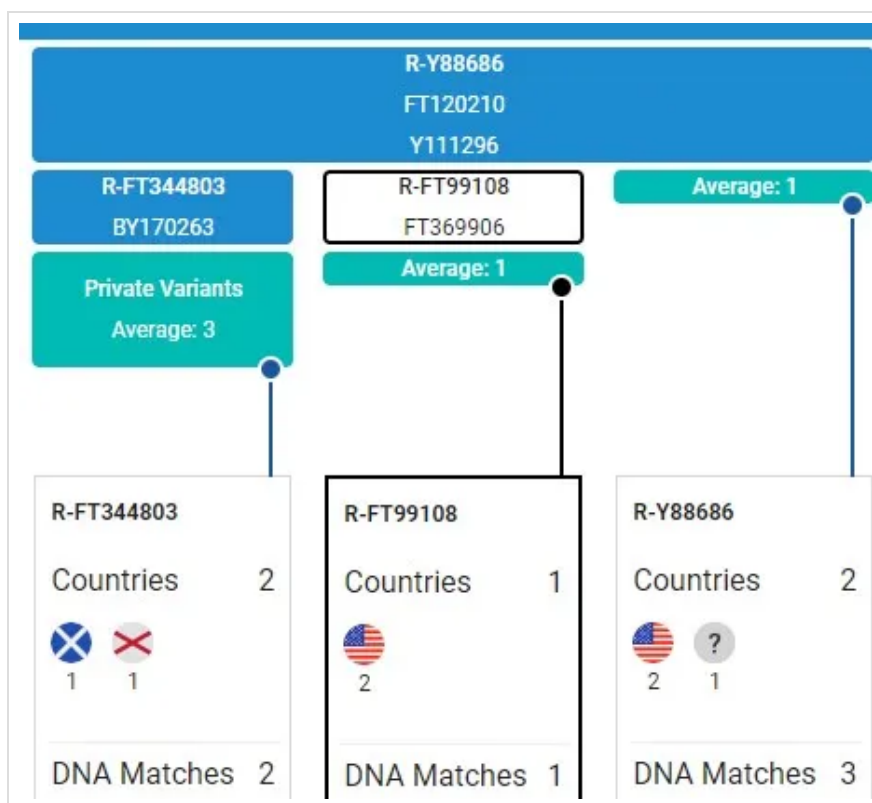
- English Crawford of Knox County, Tennessee
- James and Catherine Crawford of Rockbridge County, Virginia

Two of my posts this past week discuss my findings from one of these county histories.

- Sellers
- Luna Seller

Several upcoming posts also discuss my findings in various books for the Sellers family.

Another highlight for the month of October has nothing to do with research, but with DNA. I have tested both of my brothers and we are in our own 'branch': R-FT99108. Descendants of the other James Crawford lines with Garrard County, Kentucky roots are in the R-Y88686 branch.



While the paper trail suggests a close relationship between these Garrard County KY Crawford Lines, DNA suggests that our connection goes further back. Working on the theory that my 2nd great-grandfather's imprisonment in Andersonville may have caused a mutation in the yDNA he passed to his son, I have located a descendant of my 3rd great grandparent thru a different son. ***He has agreed to do a yDNA test!*** This development on the DNA front trumps my research and thus is my highlight for October.

Sellers Biography

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

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/ CATEGORIES: INDIANA, SELLERS

Do you remember GeoCities, RootsWeb, mailing lists, and many other ways genealogists shared prior to Facebook? One of those communities that I participated in was a Sellers Family website. This site offered a way for fellow researchers to share their findings.

Unfortunately, that website no longer exists. Fortunately, I have a 'printout' of some of the information posted on the site, including the transcription of a book about John Crawford Sellers, 1821-1921. Unfortunately, I have not been able to locate the source information for that little book. The book was shared by SSgt James Sellers from his military email address.

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*This is a small booklet from the Indiana State Historical Society Library at Indianapolis, Indiana. It was probably made for a family reunion that was held that year (1921). *There were a few of errors in the book. The first is the place where the family came from. Most other sources say the family came from Ireland. **Another error is the mention of John C.'s father who was actually James Sellers. The last error I noticed was John C.'s War of 1812 service. According to his pension deposition, he served in Capt. James Davidson's Company under Colonel Richard M. Johnson. He stated that he "did not take part in any battle," but he was in many "long and hard marches." The following booklet was copied exactly as it was published.*

John Crawford Sellers

1821–1921

To whom these presents come, greetings:

It is my intention on this one hundredth anniversary of the marriage of my grandfather, John Crawford Sellers, to write a brief history for the descendants of so good and reputable man as he, and trust that we may ever follow in the footsteps of our forefathers with the same true Christian spirit and true Americanism.

Hoping you may enjoy the same interest in reading it as I have in compiling it, with love and best wishes,

I remain,

W. M. Sellers

John Crawford Sellers

1821-1921

*John Crawford Sellers was a descendant of a race of pioneers while this country was still a colony of Great Britain. His ancestors came from the home country of *Bobby Burns, Scotland, into the land which was new and wild, following the trails of Daniel Boone and other Indiana warriors from Virginia into Kentucky, when younger generations ventured across the Ohio River and settled in Putnam County, Ind., and younger generations have moved on westward, yet old Putnam is a good place to come.*

*John C. was a son of **William and Mary Sellers, early settlers of Kentucky, was born March 26th, 1796, as we understand, in Garrard County, Kentucky. His father died when John C. was a boy, which left him as the mainstay for the help and support of his mother and some younger brothers. He followed freighting with a team in the absence of railroads till 1813, enlisted as a soldier under R.B. McAfee, Captain, in Richard M. Johnson's regiment of Kentucky volunteers mounted infantry, which went to Canada and fought in the battle of the River Thames, October 5th, 1813, where the noted Indian chief, Tecumseh, was killed. John C.'s horse was*

killed in the battle, but he was not hurt. He was mustered out November 19th, 1813.

Josephine Throop, one of our Putnam County historians, quoted -“In the battle at the River Thames Tecumseh, their great chief, was killed and the Indians fled, filled with dismay and grief.”

John C. was married to Fanny Brown near Lancaster, Garrard County, Kentucky, March 1st, 1821, one hundred years ago last March. They came to Putnam County in 1822, settled on the land the old homestead where J.L. Sellers now lives. Their first log cabin was in the yard near where the third house built on this lot now stands, ninety-nine years after first settlement.

Moving from Kentucky a distance of 200 miles with one small horse, saddle and bridle and such bundles as they could carry, bought a piece of land of John F. Sellers, a cousin, who had preceded his coming and later entered other land. Worked at 28 cents a day and dinner waiting on brick masons, while building a brick house on the Dewees farm but not on the eight-hour system. Children born to them: Lucy, James W., William, Mary, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Nancy, Amanda, Sarah, John L., Fannie, Martha J., Joseph B. John L. is the only one now living. They were hard-working, saving, yet charitable and honest, loved and respected by all who knew them. Were members of the Presbyterian Church at Putnamville, Indiana, with dear old Dr. Layman, Worthington Williams, James Ingram, Wm. Walden, Jacob Hixon, John Beck, Wm. Grigsby, James Hester and others with their families, with the Rev. Ransom Hawley, pastor, for a period of thirty years.

Grandfather had four brothers, Harvey, Nathan, Nelsen and Perry, who lived in this vicinity in an early day. Perry moved to Iowa before the war. Two sisters, Mrs. John F. Sellers and Mrs. Sarah Elder, were early settlers in Putnam County. John F. Sellers was one of the first settlers of

Greencastle, father of W. W. Sellers and grandfather of Charles Sellers, who now reside in Greencastle.

Mrs. Sellers, grandmother, had four brothers, early settlers in this county, Samuel, Thomas, Bentley and James Brown. James lived a bachelor with Aunt Polly and Matilda, about a mile from here over the hill west, two as good old ladies as could be found. The other sister was Mrs. Greenberry Bryant, lived in Hendricks County and was mother of Z. T. Bryant, whose war record is mentioned in the items.

Lucy, the oldest, married Thomas Leech, had one child, Sarah. Mr. and Mrs. Leech died in an early day. Sarah married Wm. Brown, one child, Eva, who years ago after her father's and mother's death married and moved to Muncie, Indiana.

William, the second son, cast his lot with the 1849 delegation to the California gold fields and died there. No railroad transportation in those days. Was buried there.

Elizabeth, after a short married life, left a daughter, Mary Etta, who lived after her mother's death with her good old grand parents, until her marriage to Clinton Oneal.

A few years after her marriage they went west. Mary Etta died several years ago.

Nancy married Nathaniel Talbott in the 50's as well as we can remember, as the old family Bible is not at hand. Children- Fanny, Mary, Lutisha, John W. and Mrs. Talbott. The three girls deceased, John W. in the west.

Nathaniel was a soldier for a time in the 10th Indiana Volunteers. Was in the Battle of Mill Springs in Kentucky, January 19th, 1862, where General Thomas defeated the Confederates and where General Zollicoffer, the

Confederate general, was killed. Mr. Talbott was later discharged on account of failing health and only lived a short time after the war.

Mary, Fannie, Amanda and Sarah, children of grandfather and grandmother died while young.

Rebecca Sellers, was born May 20th, 1830, was married March 22nd, 1857, to Joseph Gilmore. Children: Elizabeth Young of Manhatten, Indiana; John Franklin of Chandler, Oklahoma; Josie Best of Putnam County, wife of Charles Best, living west of Greencastle. Children of a second marriage to Mr. Easter are George and Sallie of Searcy, Arkansas. Samuel Gilmore, who lived with Aunt Rebecca, was a son of Mr. Gilmore by a former marriage. Josie Best has a daughter Grace married to Jesse Sears. Josie Best has a daughter Katie married to Albert Houck. Mattie, deceased daughter, was married to Edwin Torr. All Living in vicinity of Greencastle, Indiana.

Joseph Gilmore gave his life for his country during the Civil war as a member of Co. I, 27th Indiana Volunteers. After surviving the battles of Winchester's retreat, Cedar Mountains, Antiedam, Fredricksburg, Va., Chancellorsville, May 2nd and 3rd, 1863, he lost his life at the Battle of Gettysburg, July 2nd and 3rd, 1863. A brave soldier and a good man.

Aunt Rebecca died at Copperton, Oklahoma, April 13th, 1906.

Lizzie, the oldest child married to Barzilla Young December 16th, 1875, at the age of 18 years at Reelsville, Indiana. Children: Albert, 45 years of age in 1921, married to Luella Wilson, November, 1894; Nellie, 43 years of age in 1921, married Oscar Brown November 2nd, 1895, later to Willie Brothers; Alice, married to Harry Ingraham, July 22nd, 1903, died January 22nd, 1919, at the age of 39 years; Jimmie, died February 12th, 1919, at the age of 36 years; Clarence, died February 27, 1886, at the age of 10 months; Walter, 34 years of age in 1921, married to Cecil Mulinix July 19th, 1910; Florence, 26 years of age in 1921.

Barzila Young served time in the Civil War as a soldier of Co. _____ Regiment, was good trusty man and a hard worker. He died July 13th, 1913, at Manhatten, Indiana, 70 years of age.

Martha J. Sellers, the youngest daughter of J. C. S. and the next to the youngest child, was married to Harrison Ruark March 8th, 1870. Children: John Crawford, died at the age of 11 months; Daniel, age 49 this year, has been a railroad man for twenty-five or thirty years. Is yard master for the M. K. & T. Railroad Co. at Tulsa, Oklahoma, at this time.

Mary R. lives at Greencastle, Indiana, making good on her own resources since being left alone by the death of her parents, having a very responsible position with the firm of the King Morrison Foster Company at Greencastle which she is holding with much credit to her industry and faithfulness.

Mrs. Martha Raurk died at their home, one mile south of the old home, April 19th 1909.

Harrison Raurk was a soldier in the Civil War. Went from near Maysville, Mason County, Kentucky. Was a member of the 2nd Kentucky Cavalry, 45th Regiment. After the war closed came to Putnam County, lived in the community till death, which occurred March 29th, 1918.

James Washington Sellers was born April 24th. 1823, worked on the farm and taught school. Was married to Miss Nancy D. Fenley of near Stilesville, Hendricks County, Indiana, September 21st, 1848. Bought a small farm and settled just south of and adjoining the old homestead. Children were Lucy Ann, William M., Fanny M., Mary A., Sarah A. Mrs. Sellers and three youngest children, John, Aaron and Joseph, all died in August and September, 1863, within seventeen days. Lucy, the oldest, married Wm. W. Hodge March 26th, 1868, or 69. Lucy died about forty-two years ago, leaving three children, Carrie, James and Dora. All live in

the West. Mrs. Carrie Pearcy lives at Los Angeles, California. Second marriage of W. W. Hodge to Miss Emerine Mercer, one child. Mrs. Minnie Lewis of near Putnam ville, age 40 years. W. W. Hodge served three years in the Civil War in the 128th Regiment Indiana Volunteers.

W. M. Sellers was born April 22nd, 1851. His father, James W., died June 11th, 1865, W. M. was 14 years old with one sister older than him and three younger. They stayed at the old home till grown and married. W. M. was married to Miss Josephine Hutcheson December 20th, 1871. Children: James H., Clay C., Joseph M., Nannie A. James is 48 years old, Clay 46, J.M. 43, Nannie died November 9th, 1897. Two babies died in infancy. Josephine Sellers died April 19th, 1903. James married Mrs. Maggie Stevens of Indianapolis. Clay married Lelia Mae Black July 28th, 1912. Joseph married Miss Stella Heady of Indianapolis. Joseph M. has one son by a former marriage, Roy K., 21 years of age, who lives at Terre Haute, Indiana.

James H., after passing through two train wrecks and being badly crippled, is again working in Pennsylvania yards at Indianapolis.

Clay is stationed at Indianapolis at Illinois Central Yards.

Joseph M. (or Pete) is in the employ of C.I. & L. road running from Chicago to Indianapolis.

Clay C. service in the 159th Regiment, Co. I. Wilbur Starr, captain, in Spanish-American War. The boys all live at Indianapolis at this date – 1921.

Fannie M. Sellers married Wm. M. Turner January 15th, 1872. Children: James W. married Miss Ollie Hutcheson and lives now four miles south of

Brazil, Indiana. Ollie married Clifford Sutton and now lives near Clay City, Indiana.

John R. died at hospital at Brazil after second operation. He had served two years as a soldier in World's War, April 17th, 1921. He was highly recommended as a soldier, was a noble boy, had many friends, was 29 years old when he died, after every care and comfort money could buy or the love of true hearts could secure by his brother and family and his many friends. Was buried at Boone cemetery near Hamrick, Indiana. Mrs. Turner is living but in very poor health as result of a case of typhoid fever. W. M. Turner died about 1901. Children of James and Ollie Turner, Miss Edna, 24; Walter, 17 years of age and are present today, 1921. James is 48 years old.

Mary A. Sellers married Geo. W. McCray of a family of old Putnam County residents December 15th, 1873. Oran . McCray, the only child, was a prominent physician at Marshall, Missouri. Mrs. McCray living in that locality. She is 67 years of age this year. as at the reunion last year. Hope she comes this year.

Sarah A. married Andrew P. Kiser in 1877. Children: Minnie, Ray and Fred. They are located at and around Boise City, Iowa. Mrs. Kiser was 66 years old July 26th, this year, 1921, and we can't pass without a compliment to these girls. How willing and ready they were at any time to help their brother with his work while they were passing the period from childhood to womanhood, after being left by the death of their parents. A pleasant memory by the brother for these dear sisters for their help and kindness.

John L. Sellers and a cousin, Z. T. Bryant, enlisted in Civil War September 4th, 1862, 3rd Indiana Cavalry, Col. Robt. O. Cline, Capt. O. M. Powers, 1st

Lieut. George J. Langsdale. Did patrol duty in Indiana and Illinois, was in Morgan raid, was at the siege of Knoxville and in cavalry service in Tennessee in Battle of Sevier Road and Carter Station and helped rid that territory of a band of Confederates that was buswhacking Union citizens in East Tennessee. Was in the raid made from Chattanooga over Lookout Mountain and a long term of cavalry fighting and raiding Confederate territory. Then was placed in the command of General Kilpatrick, which meant hard cavalry service and a sufficient amount of fighting, as General Kilpatrick's division was busy and took desperate chances, until Sherman's march to the sea was ordered. Followed General Hood from Atlanta to Rome. Georgia, and other service till they started on Sherman's march. When that was completed was relieved and started for home in Putnam County, Indiana, the 21st day of July, 1865.

Z. T. Bryant, with the same record, was captured near Fayetteville, North Carolina, the 7th of March, 1865, served time in the notorious Libby Prison till Confederate Gen. R. E. Lee evacuated Richmond, Virginia, where the prison was located. Mr. Bryant was the last prisoner released from that deplorable pen. Mr. Bryant is living in the State of Oregon.

John L. Sellers was married December 11th, 1866, to Miss Mary Matkin, a daughter of Wm. Matkin, an old resident and citizen of Greencastle, Indiana, and a sister of Miss Mattie Matkin of Greencastle at this time.

Children: Edward J., Katie, Nannie, Jennie (deceased), Sallie (deceased), Minnie and Ida. Mrs. Sellers died 1878.

A second marriage August 3rd, 1880, to Miss Lizzie Wells, daughter of Levi and Catherine Wells, formerly of Madison Township, Putnam County, and the estimable lady is living and helping to make this reunion

a very pleasant occasion. Children: William, Crawford, Mamie and Myrtle. Uncle John is 85 years of age today, August 25th, 1921.

Edward J. Sellers was married to Clara Silvers September 25th, 1891. Children: Arthur, 28 years old, married November 4th, 1920 to Miss Caroline Eubank, after serving time in late war in France; Lawrence, 27 years old, served his country in World War in Russia; Ethel, 24 years old, married to Harrold Jones; Joyce, 23 years old, married to Beatrice Baker; Louise, 18 years old; Harrold, 15 years old; Eddie, 13 years old. Clarence died in infancy in 1910. Edward and family live near Lake City, Michigan, and is 54 years old. His wife is 46 years old.

Katie, oldest daughter lives at Greencastle, is 52 years old, owns her own property and is a dressmaker.

Nannie Elizabeth married January 14, 1892. Children: daughter Hazel, 27 years old; Russ, deceased, address Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Minnie, 45 years of age this year, was married October 3rd, 1897, to Mr. Roy Grogan, who is 46 years old. Children: Grace Mae, 21 years old, was married to Frank Jones, September 17th, 1918. Live at Indianapolis. One daughter, Dorothy Mae, 2 years old.

Dorothy Florence, 17 years old.

Esther Alberta, 12 years old.

Charles, 10 years old.

Mr. Grogan lives at Indianapolis, Indiana, at this date and is a valuable man in the employ of Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Ida May, 42 year, married to Hays Williams, October 4th, 1903. Children: Esta) Lenard, 17 years old; Hubert Layman, 13 years old.

Mr. Williams is station master at Union depot, Terre Haute. Address, 1719 Sycamore Street, Terre Haute, Indiana.

William Crawford Sellers is 40 years of age. Was married October 16th, 1906, to Miss Grace Edith Haymaker of Putnamville, Indiana. Children: John Riley, 14; Mary Bernice, 10; Charles Haymaker, 8; Edith Lucille, 5; Ethel may, born January 18th, 1921.

William Crawford is living on part of the old homestead and a help and comfort to his father and mother in assisting and looking after farming interests for them and a useful citizen to the community.

Mary Edith was married to Earnest C. Smith October 17th, 1910. Children Madlin Elizabeth, 10 years old; Joice Sellers, 8 years old; Mildred Olive, 6 years old; John Raymond, 3 years old.

Mr. Smith lives on the old Swartz farm, one mile west of Putnamville.

Myrtle Olive, the youngest child, married to Mack Brown of Warren Township, Putnam County, Indiana, May 19th, 1915. Mr. Brown died february 14th, 1917.

A second marriage to Ross Smithson of Harlem, Montana, 1918. P. at Sweetman. Child, Mary Elizabeth, born November 2nd, 1920.

August 25th, 1893, twenty-eight years ago:

Joseph Brown Sellers, the youngest of the family, was born February 8th, 1843. He enlisted in Co. I, 27th Indiana Volunteers, a regiment that went through much hard service and hard fighting during Civil war, was in the battle at Winchester, March 23rd, 1862, Cedar Mountain, August 9th,

1862, was wounded in right leg in Battle of Chancellorsville, May 2nd, 1864, at Resaca (New Hope Church), where he lost his left leg, May 15th, 1864. After being dressed, was loaded in an ambulance with another wounded soldier on a trip of forty miles to get to a railroad town laying side by side in the bottom of the wagon. The other soldier died on the way and a very rough road. Just imagine what Uncle Joe had to pass through that long night, but his ever patient disposition was surely present on that trip. He arrived home about the 4th of July as we were cutting wheat.

Was married on September 27, 1868, to Miss Viola A. Kiser. Owned a farm and farmed in Warren Township, two miles west of Putnamville, several years, then moved to North Salem, Indiana. Engaged in milling busines in 1901, located in Greencastle. Was a good faithful member of the Presbyterian Church, honored and esteemed by all that knew him. He died April 12th, 1914, at his home in Greencastle, Indiana, age 71 years.

Miss Cora Belle lives with her devoted mother at Greencastle.

Ulysses Grant, the oldest son, who is 49 years of age, lives near North Salem, Indiana. Was married to Miss Ada Catherine Hunt, December 30th, 1898. Children: Benjamin Franklin, 22 years old this year, married to Miss Lois Hazel Hicks August 20th, 1919. Mr. Sellers is present trustee of Eel River Township, Hendricks County.

Rhoda Katherine, 13 years of age.

Frank Crawford Sellers, 46 years of age, who lives at North Salem, Indiana, was married to Miss Daisy Page, November 15th, 1899.

Children: Genieva, 20 years of age; Maxwell, 17 years of age; Dortha B., 12 years of age; Hellen N., 10 years of age; Joseph Henry, 7 years of age.

Earnest Maywood, 44 years of age, was married August 7th, 1915, to Miss Flossie Brown and lives near Bainbridge.

Estella Grace, a dear little baby, died February 23rd, 1883, at the age of 9 months.

Homer Layman, the youngest child, 36 years old this year, was married January 13th, 1912, to Miss Mellessa Tompkins. Children: Edith Elizabeth, 9 years old; Alice Marie, 3 years old. Now lives at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mrs. Viola Alma Sellers, wife of Joseph B. Sellers, was a daughter of Mr. Eli and Mary Stillwagon Kiser, highly respected friends and neighbors of sixty and seventy years ago, living in this neighborhood, the dear father and mother, sister and brothers have long since passed to their happy homes.

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Ancestry Photo Hint

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 25, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: IOWA, SELLERS

How do you handle Ancestry photo hints? Do you save them or do you ignore them? I have to admit that I ignore a lot of them. However, when I don't have a photo of an individual, I will try to find the one originally posted and save photo to their gallery.

At times, those photo hints lead to other sources. That is the case when I was working thru the hints for Milton Seller, son of John Finley Seller and his wife Rebecca (Sellers) Seller. One of those photo hints was the image of an obituary. Fortunately, the original poster also included the name and date of the newspaper where the obituary was published.



Just enough information was shared to challenge me to find the obituary. Thanks to the work of Kenneth Marks and his Newspaper site on Ancestor Hunt, I was able to locate the newspaper online! Searching the Lenox Library's digital newspaper collection not only found the obituary for Albert Seller, but also the obituary for his brother, Columbus, and his sister, Una and their father, Milton H. Seller!

Columbus S. Seller



Life Story of Columbus S. Seller

Columbus S. seller, oldest son of Milton and Sarah Seller was born in Greencastle, Ind., Sept. 21, 1853, and died at the home of his daughter in Lenox, Iowa, Feb. 20, 1936, at the age of 82 years, 4 months and 29 days. On Dec. 8, 1880 he was married to Anna Mary Whyte, who preceded him in death on Nov. 10, 1935. Ten children were born, three having preceded the father in death, two dying in infancy and Virgil, who died Feb. 23, 1920.

He is survived by four daughters and three sons, Mrs. Vena Saunders of Beresford, S.D., Mrs. Bertha Toland of Lenox, Mrs. Edith Johnson of Chicago, Ill., Mrs Anna Murphy of Sherman Texas, Lester of Marceline, Mo., Oscar L. of Pierson, Ia., and Cederic N. of Lenox.

Mr. Seller also leaves two sisters and five brothers, Mrs. Florence Corsline of Garden Grove, Ia., Mrs. Una McGrew of Lenox, William H. of Sumner, Wash., John F. of Harlan, Oregon, Albert M. and Cresley R. of Lenox and Edwin R. of Kohoka, Mo.

His early days were spent in Greencastle, Ind., where he attended school and graduated form high school of that place. At the age of twenty he came to Iowa, living for a while in Ringgold county, then moving later to Taylor county. In 1913 he moved to Macon, Mo., and later to Marceline. When a young man he united with the M. E. church and at the time of his death he was a member of the M.E. church of Marceline, Mo.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, Feb. 22, at th Barber funeral home in Lenox, conducted by the Rev. Thomas Kelly. Burial was made in the Lenox cemetery.

"LIFE STORY OF COLUMBUS S. SELLER," LENOX TIME TABLE (LENOX, IOWA), 27 FEBRUARY 1936, PAGE 1; DIGITAL IMAGES, LENOX ADVANTAGE PRESERVATION (LENOX.ADVANTAGE-PRESERVATION.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 15 OCTOBER 2022).

Albert Seller



Life story of Albert Seller

Albert Milton, son of Milton and Sarah Seller was born in Green Castle, Ind., on June 25, 1865, and died at his home five miles northeast of Lenox, Iowa, on February 13, 1937, at the age of 71 years, 7 months and 20 days. At the age of 12, he came with his parents to Iowa, where they settled on a prairie farm six miles south and one mile west of Lenox. In 1914 he moved into the town of Lenox, making that his home until 1933, at which time he went out to live on the farm, where he died.

Mr. Seller is survived by two sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Florence Gorsline of Garden Grove, Iowa, Mrs. Una McGrew of Lenox, John F. of Newport, Ore, Edwin R. of Kohoka, Mo., and Chelsey R. of Lenox.

He was a member of the Methodist church of Lenox, having united with that body in the year 1915.

Bert was of a quiet disposition, loving the home life, and honest and upright in all his dealings. For years he had been anemic and gradually succumbed to that ailment, but through it all he was very patient to the last.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church in Lenox, Monday, February 15, and burial was made at Clearfield.

"LIFE STORY OF ALBERT SELLER," LENOX TIME TABLE (LENOX, IOWA), 18 FEBRUARY 1937, PAGE 1; DIGITAL IMAGES, LENOX ADVANTAGE PRESERVATION (LENOX.ADVANTAGE-PRESERVATION.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 15 OCTOBER 2022).

Una Alma (Seller) McGrew

Obituary – McGrew

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Una Alma (Seller) McGrew, daughter of Milton H. and Sarah Jane Seller, was born October 7, 1867, in Greencastle, Indiana, and passed this life in Lenox, Iowa, February 6, 1956, aged 88 years 3 months and 30 days. At the age of 10 she came with her family to Iowa where they settled on a prairie farm near Conway.

On February 17, 1909 she was united in marriage with Hilton U. McGrew, of Grandview, Iowa. Following the marriage at the bride's family home, they made their home on a farm near Grandview. After one year they moved to Van Wert where Mr McGrew became ill. In a short time he died at Bethany, Missouri where he was being treated for the illness. The following March Mrs. McGrew returned to the home farm near Conway where she lived with her father and brothers until 1914 when they moved to Lenox. Since that time Lenox has been her home.

Una professed her faith in Christ when a girl about 13 years old and joined the Greenwood Methodist Church near their home. After moving to Lenox she moved her membership to the Methodist Church where she continued a faithful member. Though she had no children very much and spent her life doing for others.

Preceding her in death were: Her father and mother, 5 brothers; Columbus, John, Will, Edwin, and Albert; 2 sisters Mrs. Louella Ray and Mrs Florence Gorsline. Surviving are one brother Chelsey R Seller of Lenox, a niece Miss Pluma Ray, who has lived with Mrs McGrew since 1927, a step-son Vern McGrew, of Marshalltown, Iowa, a number of nephews and nieces, and her many friends and neighbors.

“OBITUARY - MCGREW,” LENOX TIME TABLE (LENOX, IOWA), 16 FEBRUARY 1956, PAGE 7; DIGITAL IMAGES, LENOX ADVANTAGE PRESERVATION (LENOX.ADVANTAGE-PRESERVATION.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 15 OCTOBER 2022).

Milton H. Seller – The Father



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Obituary

Milton Hawkins seller was born at Evansville, Ind., Nov. 12, 1822, and passed away at the home in Lenox, Oct. 29, 1914, aged 91 years, 11 months and 14 days.

He was married Feb. 28, 1851 to Sarah J. Leach, who preceded him in death, dying on May 11, 1906. To their union were born nine children — six boys and three girls — all of whom are living, and except two who were too far away, were present at the funeral. The children are Columbus S. of near Clearfield; William H. of Bismark, Washington; John F. of Mabtown, Wash.; Mrs. Florence Gossline of van Wert; Mrs. Luella Ray, Albert M. Mrs. Una McGrew and Charles R., of Lenox and Edwin R. of Memphis, Mo.

For 26 years after his marriage Mr. Seller lived in Putman county, Ind., near Greencastle, from which place they came to Iowa and settled in Grant township on the farm where he lived until last March when he removed to Lenox. Soon after he was married he was converted and with his wife became a member of the Methodist Church.

A double funeral was held for Mr. Seamans and Mr. Seller at the M.E. Church at 2 o'clock, Sunday, Nov. 1, conducted by Rev. Walter A. Morgan, assisted by Rev. A. L. Davidson. The body of Mr. Seller was laid to rest in the Clearfield cemetery and that of Mr. Seamans in Fairview cemetery, Lenox.

"OBITUARY," LENOX TIME TABLE (LENOX, IOWA), 5 NOVEMBER 1914, PAGE 4; DIGITAL IMAGES, LENOX ADVANTAGE PRESERVATION (LENOX.ADVANTAGE-PRESERVATION.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 16 OCTOBER 2022).



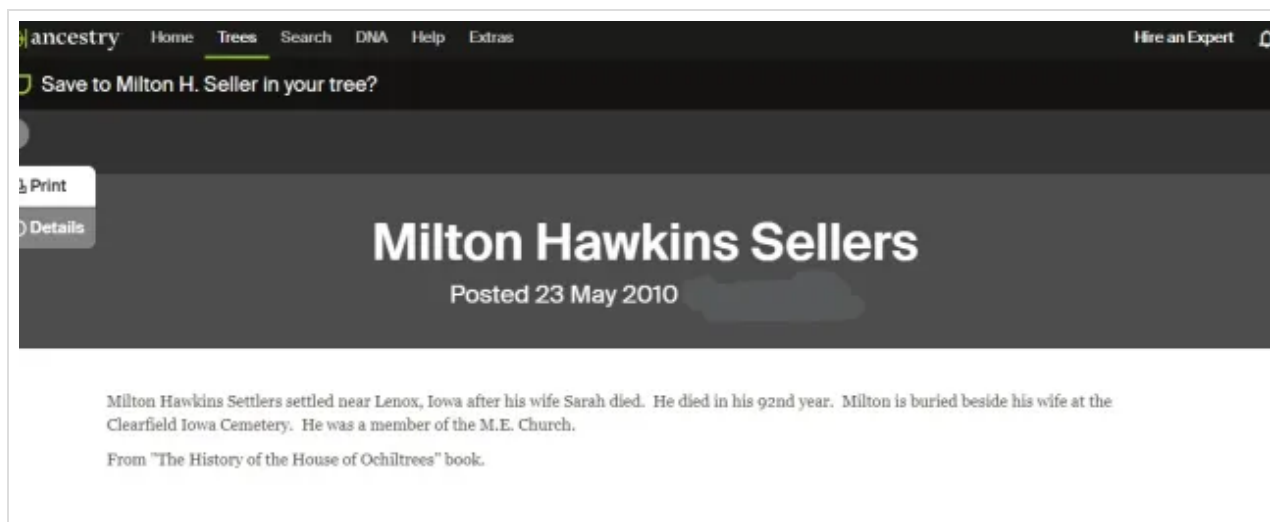
Underground Railroad

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 26, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: INDIANA, PREBLE COUNTY, SELLERS

Do you ever try to find the source of a story hint for someone in your Ancestry tree? Well, today, I followed such a hint and it led me to a history of the Ochiltree family with many interesting stories and connections not only to my SELLERS research but to my CRAWFORD research.



One of those stories is about Nancy Sellers Hawkins and the underground railroad. Nancy Sellers was the daughter of Nathan Sellers (1753-1824). Thus, she is the sister-in-law to Henry Duggins (step-son of James Crawford). Nancy's aunts would include Mary and Sarah Crawford, wives of her uncles, James and William Sellers.

Nancy married John J Hawkins in 1789 and lived in Preble County, Ohio prior to moving to Jay County, Indiana. It is in Jay County, Indiana where, according to the story, her home became a 'station' on the underground railroad.



Nancy Sellers; m. John J. Hawkins, b. 1789; moved to Preble Co., O., and from there, were pioneers in Jay Co., Ind. They were among the first settlers. Mr. Hawkins met with an accident, while hanging a deer which he had killed, which resulted in his death within a year, on Mch. 15, 1832, ag'd 42 years. He was the first white man buried in Jay Co., Indiana. Nancy (Sellers) Hawkins' home was what was called a station on the "Underground Railroad." Slaves escaping from Ky., to Canada, were given shelter at her house. Her sons, Samuel, and B. W. Hawkins, carried the mail by turns, from Winchester to Ft. Wayne, by way of Deerfield, Hawkins' Cabin, New Corydon, and Thompson's Prairie. One evening, in the month of Feb. 1834, Samuel reached his mother's cabin on his re-turn from Ft. Wayne, while a heavy snow was falling. It was already ten inches deep. While the family were enjoying themselves around the fire, a rap was heard at the door, and, on its being opened, eight negroes, six men and two women, presented themselves, and begged for a night's lodging. Their request was granted. They said they were going to work on the canal, which was being built at Fort Wayne. The next morning they started on their way, northward, and Samuel Hawkins went to Winchester, with his mail. There he learned that the fugitives were slaves, and there he met their pursuers, who asked him if he had "met" the slaves. He replied that he had not, which was technically, true, but misleading to the manhunters. The reward for their apprehension was one thousand dollars, and he could have had it, by reporting what he knew. He said, if they would undertake that long, dangerous, journey, on foot, and thro' the deep snow, to gain their liberty, he could not find it in his heart to betray them, into bondage. When the pursuers were put on the wrong track, he returned, and found the negroes, and told them that their masters were after them, to run for their lives. One of the women, who was old and feeble, uttered a wild shriek, and fell in a swoon. The leader of the band said, "Look well to your priming boys," as they were heavily armed. Then turning to the young mail carrier he said, "Young man, our blood may be poured out like water, but none of us will be taken alive." Hawkins hastily

relieved their fears, got off his horse, helped put the fainting woman on his saddle, aided her as far as his time would permit, and giving them directions, returned to his route, and never heard from them more. Another similar anecdote, was told by B. W. Hawkins, Samuel's

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Leech – Crawford Connection

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 27, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, VIRGINIA

Do you ever feel like your tracing after a bright shiny object to find yourself in the middle of a tangled web? That's how I felt when I stumbled across the reference to the book History of the House of Olichteree of Ayrshire, Scotland while researching the family of John Finley Seller and his wife, Rebecca Sellers.

While I knew of a link between Rebecca's Sellers family and my Crawford research, I stumbled across references to the family of James Crawford and his wife, Catherine in the book. While there isn't much information in the book about this James Crawford, there is information about his daughter, Elizabeth and her LEECH descendants.

It is the biography of Elizabeth's great-nephew, Bolivar F. Leech that contains information about the family of James and Catherine Crawford.

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*Bolivar F. Leech; son of Squire John Leech and his wife, Drusilla Tate (Finley) Leech, was born Mch. 27, 1837, in Rockbridge County, Virginia, near Old Oxford church; which is one and one half miles below the confluence of North and South Buffalo Creeks. He graduated from Washington College, Lexington; was three times a delegate to the State Legislature. He owned a fine farm of 600 acres on North Buffalo, the original home place of **James and Catharine Crawford**, which passed, through their son, **Michael Crawford**, to his **sons, James, John, and Addison Crawford**, who sold it on their removal to Greene Co., Ohio, in 1826, leaving none of this family, of the name in Rockbridge Co. He also owned 400 acres, one and one-half miles below the 600 acres,*

and 350 acres of mountain land, five miles west of his home place; 450 ft. more elevation. This tract was known as Smith's Flat, or Lang's Entry. He married Margaret Houston, dau. of John Davies and Martha (Wilson) Houston; and grand- daughter of Rev. Samuel Houston, of Rural Valley, the noted divine and educator, and his wife, Margaret Walker; she was the great granddaughter of John and Sarah (Todd) Houston. Sarah Todd was a daughter of Andrew Todd, an early settler on Hays Creek and among the first members of Old Providence church. An interesting sketch of Andrew Todd's immediate ancestors is found in the National Enc. of Am. Biography, which traces them three generations back to the battle of Bothwell Bridge in Scotland, in 1670. Andrew Todd's son, Sarah (Todd) Houston's brother, Samuel Todd, High Sheriff, of Botetourt Co., 1791-92, was the father of Jane Todd, wife of Thomas Crawford, son of James Crawford, of North Buffalo, and brother of Michael Crawford, who married Eleanor Leech. B. F. Leech died Aug., 1907. 9 children.

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Since the families in this book seem to follow a similar migration path to my CRAWFORD family, I believe I need to expand by CRAWFORD research to contain another James Crawford – James and his wife Catherine!

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Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 28, 2022

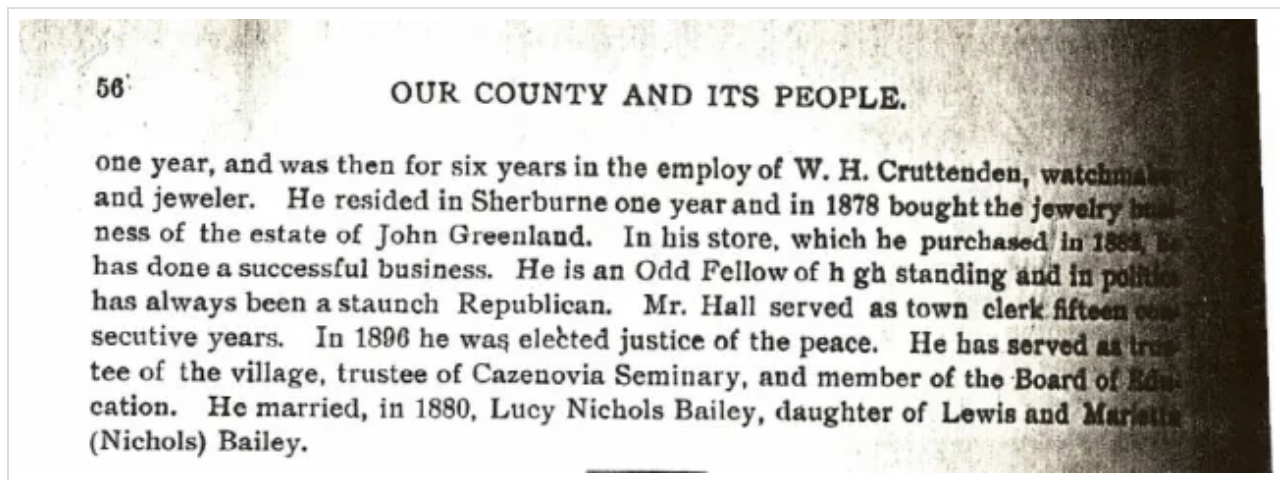
/ CATEGORIES: HALL, MADISON COUNTY NY

Do you have photocopies from books that are missing the title page or any indication of the book title? Well, I do.

Today's Friday Finds is a photocopy of a biography of Jesse Hall of the village of Cazenovia which is in Madison County, New York. While I don't know of any HALL ancestors in the New York area in my tree, my ancestor, Thurston Kennedy Wells' first wife was Sarah Hall. Since Thurston Wells lived in Madison County, I probably thought there might be a connection. Thus, the photocopies.

of the Episcopal church. They have one son, Sumner S.

Hall, Jesse Wilson, is one of the leading merchants of Cazenovia village, where he has been engaged in the jewelry business for a quarter of a century. Mr. Hall was born in New Berlin, Chenango county, N. Y., November 5, 1850. His father, also named Jesse W., was born in the town of Brookfield, Madison county. He settled in Cazenovia in 1858, where he died in 1874. He was for eight years steward of Cazenovia Seminary. He was the son of Stephen R. Hall, a native of Dracut, Middlesex county, Mass., an early settler of Brookfield, who removed to that town in 1803, in a wagon, bringing his wife and family and was one of the earlier settlers of that town. Jesse W. was educated at Cazenovia Seminary and at the age of nineteen began to learn the jeweler's trade with John Greenland, with whom he remained



Fortunately, the heading “Our County and Its People” provided enough information for a Google search. I was able to locate the book and the biography on Archive.org and on Ancestry. The title of the book is *Our County and Its People: A Descriptive and Biographical Record of Madison County, New York*. This book was edited by John E. Smith and published by the Boston History Company in 1899

Below is a transcription of the biography.

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one year, and was then for six years in the employ of W. H. Cruttenden, watchmaker and jeweler. He resided in Sherburne one year and in 1878 bought the jewelry business of the estate of John Greenland. In his store,

which he purchased in 1882, he has done a successful business. He is an Odd Fellow of high standing and in politics has always been a staunch Republican. Mr. Hall served as town clerk fifteen consecutive years. In 1896 he was elected justice of the peace. He has served as trustee of the village, trustee of Cazenovia Seminary, and member of the board of education. He married, in 1880, Lucky Nichols Bailey, daughter of Lewis and Marietta (Nichols) Bailey.

Based on the information in the biography, I was able to locate Jesse Wilson Hall on Family Search. Thus, I was able to compare his tree to Sarah Hall's tree. While this biography is not relevant to my genealogy research, I hope it helps someone else!



Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 29, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Seneca Youth to U.S. Marines

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Dwight Rickman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rickman, leaves today for Kansas City where he will complete arrangements to go to San Diego for enlistment in the U.S. Marine Corps. Dwight's examining physician, Dr. H. G. Snyder, pronounced him a perfect specimen of physical manhood.. He weighs about 205 pounds. Two other boys have taken preliminary steps to enlistment in the U.S. Navy.

THE COURIER TRIBUNE, JUNE 27, 1940, PAGE 2

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Letters Home

” Dwight Rickman, with the Marines, writes his parents he has completed the preliminary training and was returning to the base at San Diego yesterday. He is eligible to the marine school, has received a medal for efficiency.

THE COURIER TRIBUNE, AUGUST 19, 1940, PAGE 3.

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Dwight Rickman, in his weekly letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Rickman, says that he received a first rating Sept. 21 and was enrolled in "C" School Marines Corps Base, San Diego. His address is Private Dwight C. Rickman, Marine Corps Base, San Diego, Calif.

THE COURIER TRIBUNE, OCTOBER 3, 1940, PAGE 3.

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Saturday Night Genealogy Fund

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 30, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night

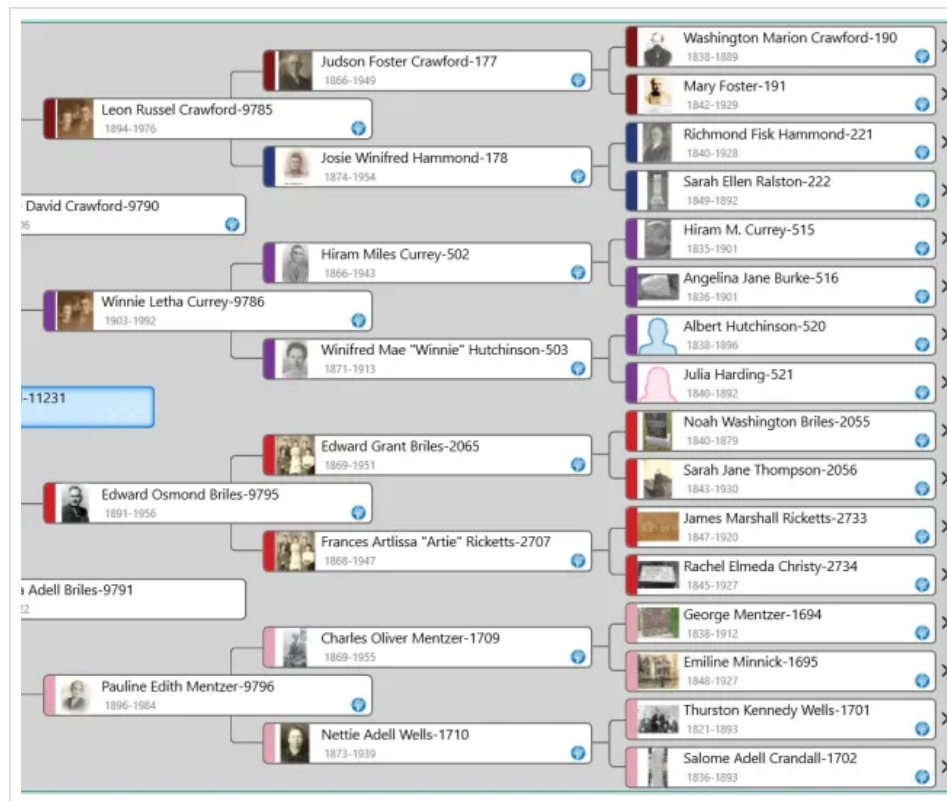
Time for More Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

1) Which family surname line (of identified ancestors) of yours stayed the longest in one U.S. state or other country province/shire since, say, 1600? For example, in the USA, my Seaver line was in Massachusetts from 1634 to 1940. For England, my Vaux line was in Somerset from the late 1500s to 1840. For Canada, my Kemp line was there from 1785 to 1902.

*** List the generations for one or two of your long-staying-in-one-locality surname lines. (Yes, I know that some countries used patronymics – follow the father's line back in time).**

While one of Randy Seaver's lines stayed in Massachusetts, my ancestors did not stay in the East but were on the move westward — until they settled in Kansas. All of my 2nd great grandparents migrated to Kansas where I still live.



Unfortunately, there are 'breaks' in the timeline.

- My father attended graduate school in Lincoln, Nebraska which means that my parents and I were not in Kansas for those two years.
- When my great-grandmother, Winnie Hutchinson died in 1913, her husband and children lived in Kansas City, Missouri for a short time.
- While Alexander Briles moved his family, including his son, Noah Briles, to Kansas around 1858, Noah was in Iowa working as a farm hand before returning to Kansas.

So, eliminating myself and my parents, below are my various lines and their 'length of stay in Kansas

- Crawford — arrived in 1884 thru the death of my grandfather in 1976 — for a total of 92 years
- Hammond — arrived in Kansas around 1884 thru the death of my grandfather in 1976 — BUT — Richmond Fisk Hammond moved on to California after his daughter, Josie was married. Josie remained in Kansas. — (Again — 92 years)
- Currey — arrived in Kansas around 1858 thru the death of my grandmother in 1992 — BUT — my grandmother was in Kansas City, Missouri for about 2 years as a teen — for a total of 134 years

- Hutchinson — arrived in Kansas around 1895 thru the death of my grandmother in 1992 — BUT — again my grandmother was in Kansas City Missouri for about a year — for a total of 97 years
- Briles — arrived in Kansas in 1858 thru death of my grandfather in 1956 — BUT Noah Briles lived in Iowa for about 9 years — for a total of 98 years minus the 9 years when Noah was in Iowa
- Ricketts — arrived in Kansas about 1879 thru the death of my grandfather in 1956 — for a total of 77 years
- Mentzer — arrived in Kansas about 1873 thru the death of my grandmother in 1984 — for a total of 111 years
- Wells — arrived in Kansas in 1857 but moved to Michigan and Iowa before moving back to Kansas about 1870 thru the death of my grandmother in 1984 — for a total of 114 years

Even though my grandmother lived in Missouri for a brief time, I'm going with my CURREY line

- Hiram M. Currey (1835-1901) arrived in Leavenworth County, Kansas around 1858 and served in the Kansas Militia during the civil war
- Hiram Miles Currey (1866-1943) lived in Leavenworth County, Rooks County, Olathe and Dodge City (and Kansas City, MO)
- Winnie Letha Currey (1903-1992) — lived in Leavenworth County and Dodge City (and Kansas City, MO for about 2 years

Since the BRILES homestead is still owned by descendants of Alexander Briles, I consider it the line that has been in Kansas the longest. Alexander Briles and his children arrived in Kansas around 1858 and purchased land in Coffey County, Kansas.

Another Sellers History

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ OCTOBER 31, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SELLERS

Do you ever keep finding family histories for some of those ‘bushes’ in your tree and wish you could do the same for your own ancestor? That’s how I’m feeling with my SELLERS research.

I keep finding narratives going back to the Kentucky days for descendants of James and Mary (Crawford) Sellers in various county histories but sadly have yet to find anything similar for my own CRAWFORD line,

Today’s finds were in the Biographical and Genealogical History of Appanoose and Monroe Counties, Iowa. This first was in the biography of William Mercer while the second was a biography of Dr. Moses Sellers, grandson of James and Mary (Crawford) Sellers.

Bernetta Sellers



William Mercer Biography

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On the 27th of March, 1856, Mr. Mercer married Miss Bernetta H. Sellers, a native of Indiana, and a daughter of Nathan and Mary (Yowell) Sellers. Her father was a son of James and Mary (Craw-

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ford) Sellers, and the former, a native of Kentucky and of Scotch descent, died in his native state, while the latter passed away in Indiana. Nathan Sellers was born in Kentucky and when he had arrived at years of maturity wedded Mary, daughter of William and Margaret (Coppage) Yowell. Her father was of English lineage and lived in Kentucky. He died in an explosion of a steamer on which he was a passenger, and his wife died in Kentucky when more than ninety years of age. In 1854 Mr. and Mrs. Sellers came to Iowa and here spent their remaining days, the former dying in Appanoose county at the age of seventy-five, the latter at the age of eighty years in Monroe county. They had eight children, of whom five are yet living, including Mrs. Mercer, the estimable wife of our subject. To Mr. and Mrs. Mercer have been born ten children, six of whom are yet living : Henry, who is married and has two children: William L., who is married and has three children: John P., who is married and has four children; Emma, at home; Ida, also with her father; and Inez, who married Dr. C. N. Hyatt and has one child. A daughter, Florence, died at the age of twenty-three years, and the others died in infancy.

S. THOMPSON LEWIS, COMPILER AND EDITOR, BIOGRAPHICAL AND GENEALOGICAL HISTORY OF APPANOOSE AND MONROE COUNTIES, IOWA (NEW YORK: THE LEWIS PUBLISHING COMPANY, 1903), PAGES 268-269; DIGITAL IMAGES, ARCHIVE.ORG, [HTTP://WWW.ARCHIVE.ORG](http://www.archive.org) VIEWED ONLINE 21 OCTOBER 2022.

Moses Y Sellers, M.D.

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The medical corps at Moulton includes the above named physician, who has been practicing there over thirty-three years and has become thoroughly identified with the growth and progress of the place. Though a native of Indiana Dr. Sellers has been a resident of Iowa nearly half a century and has done his share as a citizen to help forward the marvelous development which has characterized this state during that eventful

period. The family is of Kentucky origin, his father, Nathan Sellers, having been born on a farm near Lexington in the first quarter of the nineteenth century. He married Mary Yowell, also a member of a Kentucky household, and with her moved to Indiana at an early period in the history of that state. He settled on a farm in Putnam county and in after years rose to a position of prominence in that community, being elected treasurer of the county and otherwise honored by his political associates. In 1854 he removed with his family to Iowa and located near Albia, county seat of Monroe, and there resumed his old occupation of tilling the soil.

Moses Y. Sellers, next to the youngest of his father's eight children, was born near Greencastle. Indiana. August 5, 1839, and was a boy almost fifteen years old when the migration was made to Iowa. He

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assisted his father on the farm and attended school until he reached his majority, when he engaged in teaching, and followed that occupation for five years. During the year 1864 he spent some time at the Keokuk Medical College and after leaving that was engaged for four and a half years in the practice of medicine at Iconium. Afterward he returned to the same institution at Keokuk, where he took a thorough course and was graduated in the class of 1880. Immediately thereafter he returned to his office at Moulton, and that town has ever since been the central point from which he prosecutes his professional labors. The Doctor is a member of the Des Moines Medical Association and the Medical Society of Wayne and Appanoose Counties. His religious affiliations are with the Christian church and his fraternal connections are confined to membership in the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

May 14, 1867, Dr. Sellers was united in marriage with Sarah Cassie Stauber, who died in October, 1870, leaving two children, whose married names are Mrs. Lillie May Brunk and Mrs. Flora Effie Bradley. August 30, 1877, Dr. Sellers contracted a second marriage, his bride being Elizabeth C. Tipton, who died leaving three children : Mrs. Jennie Bell Brunk,

Maggie, and Earl D. Sellers, who is a medical student in the Louisville Medical College. Dr. Sellers contracted his third matrimonial alliance with Mrs. Ann Primm, a native of Virginia, who came west with her parents in 1853. Mrs. Sellers is the daughter of Samuel Peek, who married Mary Hildreth, by whom he had ten children : Elizabeth, Amelia, Aaron, Eli, Gustavus, Alfred, Ann, Mack, Christopher Columbus, and Casandra. Of these children Christopher C. and Mrs. Sellers are the only ones living. Mrs. Sellers was married in Virginia to A. P. Primm and lived with him a few years near Lafayette, Indiana, after which they came to Greene county, Iowa. Mrs. Primm's marriage

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to Dr. Sellers occurred at Lancaster, Missouri, in 1890. since which time she has presided over the household at Moulton with the dignity and grace of the experienced housekeeper.

S. THOMPSON LEWIS, COMPILER AND EDITOR, BIOGRAPHICAL AND GENEALOGICAL HISTORY OF APPANOOSE AND MONROE COUNTIES, IOWA (NEW YORK: THE LEWIS PUBLISHING COMPANY, 1903), PAGES 336-338; DIGITAL IMAGES, ARCHIVE.ORG, [HTTP://WWW.ARCHIVE.ORG](http://www.archive.org) VIEWED ONLINE 21 OCTOBER 2022.

County Boundaries

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 1, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: AUGUSTA COUNTY, CRAWFORD, GARRARD COUNTY, KENTUCKY, VIRGINIA

How adventurous were your ancestors? Would they be considered pioneers? Did they seek out new homes in the territories formed as the United States expanded westward? If so, have you paid attention to the changing boundary lines for the counties?

Since my genealogy research started in Kansas where it wasn't impacted by changes in county boundaries, I wasn't aware these changes could impact my research. That all changed when I traced my CRAWFORD family back to Kentucky. My ancestor, James Crawford, married Sally Duggins in 1799 in Garrard County, Kentucky. Thus, I tried to find his parents and siblings in Garrard County.

This quest to locate CRAWFORD relatives in Garrard County expanded to include Madison and Lincoln counties. In that quest, I found a James Crawford with land on Paint Lick Creek in Madison County. I also found a Rebekah Crawford who witnessed marriage bonds for Mary, Sarah and James Crawford in Lincoln County. It was only after getting a map of the early land owners of Garrard county, that I realized that the land owned by both James Crawford (on Paint Lick Creek) and Rebekah Crawford (on headwaters of Sugar and Boone's creeks) is located in Garrard County.

When another genealogist introduced me to the site, Map of US, the interactive map for Kentucky helped me understand how the changing county boundaries affected my research.

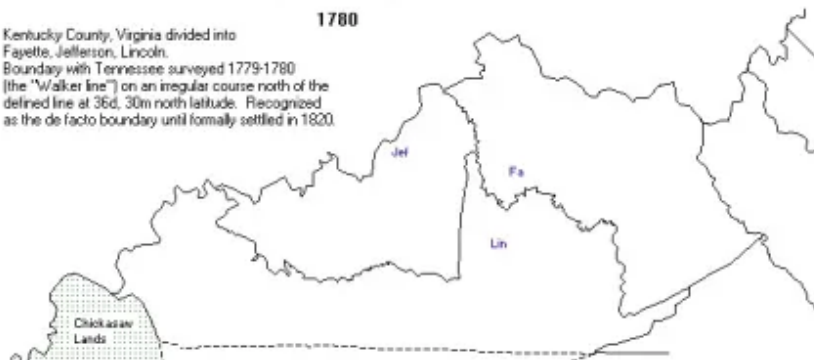
Interactive Map of Kentucky County Formation History

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1780

Kentucky County, Virginia divided into Fayette, Jefferson, Lincoln.
Boundary with Tennessee surveyed 1779-1780 (the "Walker line") on an irregular course north of the defined line at 36d. 30m north latitude. Recognized as the de facto boundary until formally settled in 1820.



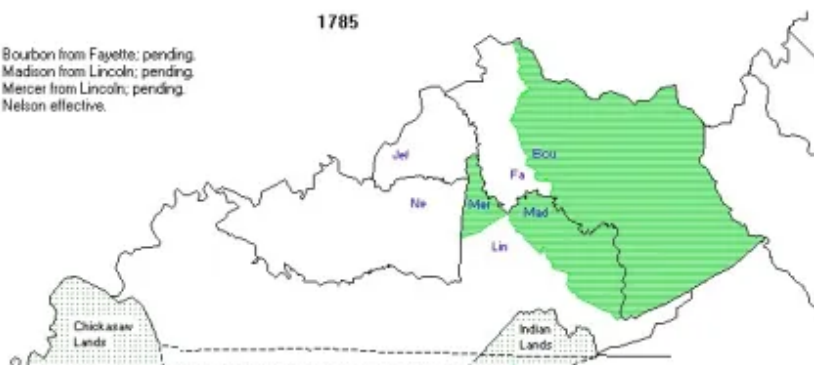
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1785

Bourbon from Fayette; pending.
Madison from Lincoln; pending.
Mercer from Lincoln; pending.
Nelson effective.



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1796

Bracken from Campbell, Mason; pending.
Bullitt from Jefferson, Nelson; pending.
Christian from Logan; pending.
Garrard from Madison, Lincoln, Mercer; pending.
Montgomery from Clark; pending.
Warren from Logan; pending.

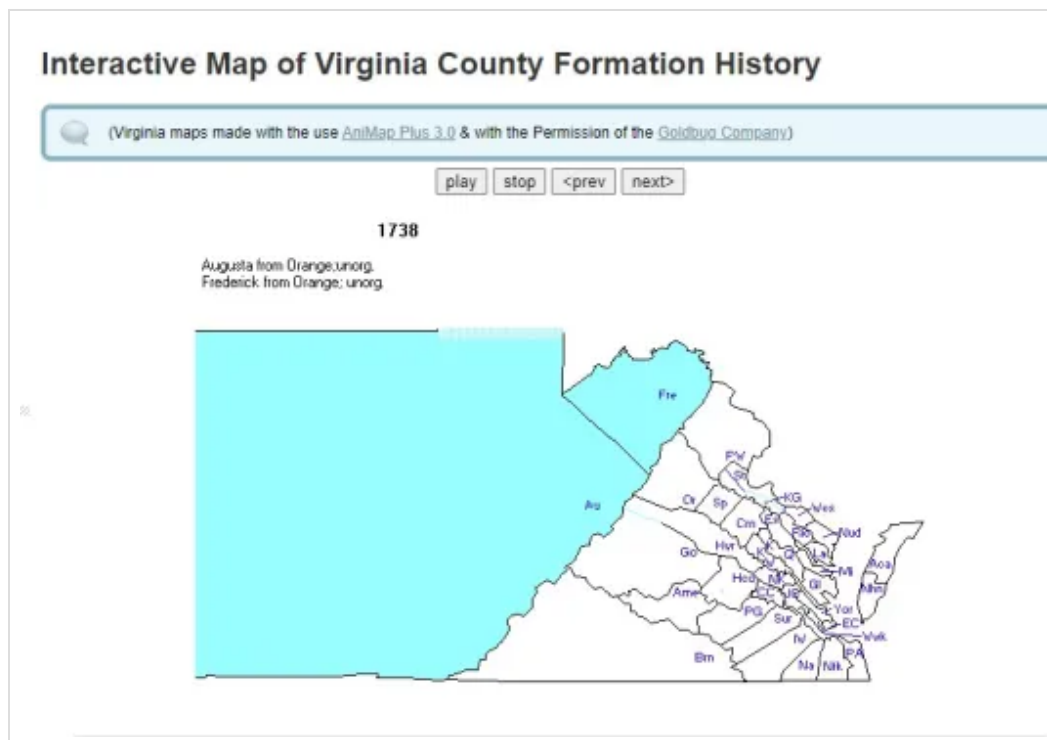


Since the 1780 counties of Kentucky were formed from Kentucky county which was originally called Fincastle county, there are five counties that I have to research for my Garrard county CRAWFORD family: Fincastle, Kentucky, Lincoln, Madison and Garrard.

Thanks to the 1850 census, I believe that James Crawford was born in Virginia. There are clues that the family goes back to Augusta County, Virginia. Research of collateral lines has uncovered other CRAWFORD lines in Amherst and Rockbridge counties. From my Kentucky experience, I know that I have to pay attention to the possibility of changes in the county boundary lines.

Thus, I go to the [Map of US](#) site to visualize the changing boundary lines for Augusta County, Virginia.

1738 – Augusta County formed from Orange County



In 1761, the map shows the formation of Amherst County. While Amherst was not formed from Augusta county, it borders Augusta county.

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Amherst from Albemarle.
Buckingham
from Albemarle.
Albemarle gained from Louisa



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Boletourt from Augusta; pending.



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Interactive Map of Virginia County Formation History

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1772

Fincastle from Botetourt.
Dunmore from Frederick.
Berkeley from Frederick.



1776 – Kentucky and Montgomery counties formed (along with Washington county)

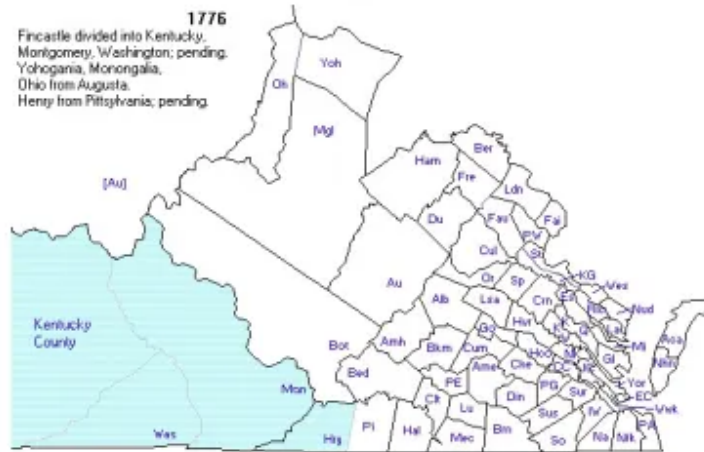
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1776

Fincastle divided into Kentucky,
Montgomery, Washington; pending.
Yohogania, Monongalia,
Ohio from Augusta.
Henry from Pittsylvania; pending.



1778 – the western portions of Botetourt and Augusta counties are split off into new counties and Rockbridge county is formed between Botetourt and Augusta counties.



- Amherst
- Rockbridge
- Augusta
- Botetourt
- Montgomery
- Fincastle
- Kentucky
- and possibly all of the western counties formed from Augusta (including portions of Pennsylvania)

This also will likely mean broadening my FAN club to include the various CRAWFORD lines in these counties.

For it will likely require researching all of these places and all of these people to figure out my CRAWFORD line!

Mercer Will

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 2, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SELLERS

Have you ever encountered a will that names the daughters but never mentions the sons? Well, that's what I encountered when researching Bernetta Sellers, daughter of Nathan Sellers and wife of William Mercer. William Mercer's will leaves property to his wife, Bernetta, and then at her death to daughters: Emma, Ida and Inez.

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Monroe Cuntty

Will Record “D”

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Know all men by these presents, that I, William Mercer of the County of Monroe and State of Iowa, being of lawful age and sound mind and disposing memory, do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows, to-wit:

First: I direct that all my just debts, expense of my lat sickness and funeral expenses will be paid out of any moneys that I may have at the time of my death.

Second. I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife, Bernetta H. Mercer all of my household goods of every kind and description.

Third. I give bequeath and devise to my said wife, Vernetta H. Mercer to have hld and use, enjoy the rents and profits from the same during her natural life time, the following described real estate of the County of Monroe State of Iowa, towit: South 1/2 of Lots one (1) and two (2) in Block two (2) of the Second Survey of the City of Albia, Monroe County, Iowa, and the undivided one (1/2) of W 1/2 of Lots thirteen (13) and Fourteen (14) of Saunders & Nobles Sub-division of Out Lot No. 9 in the town (now

city) of Albia, Monroe County, Iowa.

My intention being that my said wife shall have and use rents and profits of the above described real estate during her natural life time.

Fourth. At the death of my said wife Bernetta H. Mercer, what ever remains of the household goods herein bequeathed to her, I bequeath to my daughters, Ida E. Mercer and Emma L. Mercer, share and share alike.

Fifth. At the death of my wife Bernetta H. Mercer, I give devise and bequeath to my said daughters Ida E. Mercer and Emma L. Mercer the following described real estate, the S 1/2 of Lots One (1) and two (2) in Block two (2) of the Second survey of the City of Albia, Monroe county, Iowa.

Sixth. At the death of my said wife, I give devise and bequeath unto my daughter Inez M. Hyatt and her heirs, the following described real estate, the undivided one (1/2) of the W. (1/2) of Lots Thirteen (13) and fourteen (14) of Saunders & Noble's Subdivision of Out lot nine (9) in the town (now city) of Albia, Monroe County, Iowa.

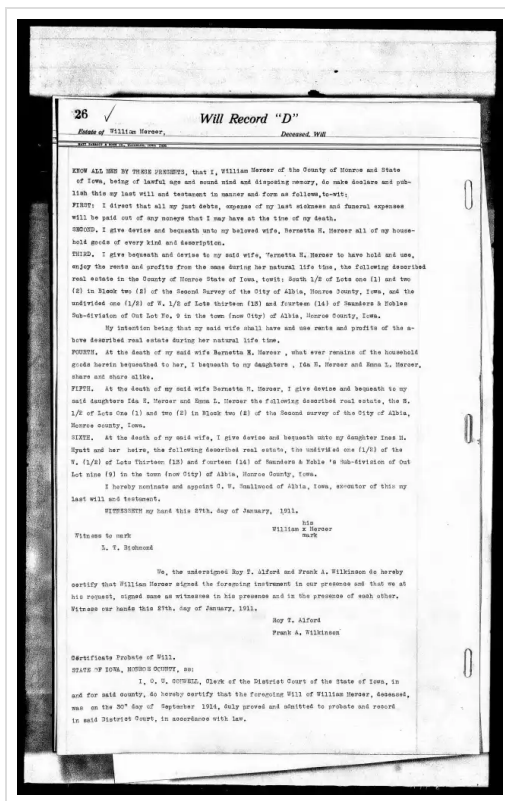
I hereby nominate and appoint C. W. Smallwood of Albia, Iowa, executor of this my last will and testament.

Witnesseeth my hand this 27th day of January, 1911

William (his mark) Mercer

Witness to mark

L. T. Richmond



**IOWA, WILLS AND PROBATE RECORDS, 1758-1997, WILLIAM MERCER, JANUARY 1911;
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Going in Circles

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 3, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, INDIANA, SELLERS

Have you ever researched one ‘bush’ or ‘floating tree’ in your file to discover a connection to a different ‘bush’ or ‘floating tree’? That’s what I encountered when going thru Ancestry hints for Sarah Sellers, daughter of James Sellers and Mary Crawford.

For background, Mary is thought to be the sister of the James Crawford who married Martha Knight. Mary’s father, James is a neighbor to my ancestor, James Crawford who married Sarah Duggins. Also living in Garrard County, Kentucky at the time is James Crawford who married Rebecca Anderson. Thus, I’ve been researching both James and Rebecca Anderson, James and Martha Crawford as well as Mary Crawford and her husband James Sellers.

James and Mary Sellers’s daughter Sarah married William Elder. In the research of the Elder family in Decatur County, Indiana, I stumbled across a biography of their son, Oliver Clay Elder, that names the children of Sarah and William Elder. Included in that list of children was Mrs. Mary Vawter.

Vawter is a surname that I’ve seen before connected to the James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford family. James and Rebecca’s daughter Elizabeth Crawford was married to Beverly Vawter. Their son, James Crawford Vawter, was married to Mary Crawford Elder — bringing me full circle. I believe Mary Elder, granddaughter of James Sellers and Mary Crawford is married to James Crawford Vawter, grandson of James Crawford and Rebecca Anderson.

Sellers Line	Crawford / Anderson Line
Rebekah - md Crawford ↓	James Crawford md Rebecca Anderson ↓
Mary Crawford md James Sellers ↓	Elizabeth Crawford md Beverly Vawter ↓
Sarah Sellers md William Elder ↓	James Crawford Vawter
Mary Elder	

While FamilySearch currently does not have the wife of James Crawford Vawter connected to the SELLERS family, I plan to do further research to prove or disprove the relationship.

Since the current theory regarding the CRAWFORD families of Garrard County, Kentucky is that Rebeka Crawford is the sister-in-law of James Crawford (wife Rebecca Anderson). This theory is supported by yDNA results. Thus, Mary Elder may be the second cousin once removed to James Crawford Vawter.

While the biography of Oliver Elder in the History of Decatur County, Indiana is the only source I currently have linking the Sellers / Crawford families, it is a hint I plan to pursue.

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Oliver C. Elder

Oliver C. Elder, a retired farmer of Greensburg, Indiana, is a veteran of the Civil War and one who has an exceptionally splendid military record, even though he is very modest in accepting this record, a man still sturdy and strong for his age. On the first day of the battle of the Wilderness, while serving as orderly sergeant, he took the place of the lieutenant in command. All of the commissioned officers of his company, having been killed, he retained command of the company until just before the battle of Petersburg. One of four brothers who served in the cause of the Union

during the Civil War, he is the grandson on his paternal side of a soldier in the Revolutionary War. His brother, James, was captured and held as a Confederate prisoner in Andersonville, Florence, Salisbury and Charleston for a period of nine months.

Oliver C. Elder, who is one of the highly respected older citizens of this county and a native of Washington township, was born on November 27, 1843, one mile south and two miles east of Greensburg, the son of William M. and Sarah S. (Sellers) Elder, natives of Kentucky, who moved to Decatur county in 1820, shortly after it was open for settlement. Born in January, 1802, William M. Elder entered one hundred and sixty acres of land in Decatur county, after coming here in 1826 and later purchased an eighty acre tract from his brother. He had four brothers, Matthew, James, Andrew and Robert. Leaving the farm in 1863, he moved to Greensburg because four of his sons were engaged in the service of their country in the Civil War and he had no assistance with which to operate the farm. Of his ten children, three died in infancy and seven lived to maturity. Five of these seven children, Mrs. Mary C. Vawter, Mrs. America Gray, Mrs. Sarah Taylor, George and Henry are now deceased, and the living children are Oliver and James Marshall. The last four served in the Civil War. James Marshall resides at Highland Center, Iowa. The mother of these children having died in May, 1855, the father was married again to Eliza Ford and by this second marriage had two children, Mrs. Serena Hamilton, of Iowa, and Mrs. Zerura Griffey, of Indianapolis. The father died on April 8, 1875-

After living at home with his parents until the breaking out of the Civil War, when he was eighteen years old, Oliver C. Elder enlisted on August 25, 1861, in Company E, Seventh Regiment, Indiana Volunteer Infantry, under Col. E. B. Dumont and Capt. Ira Grover, serving until Sep-

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ember 20, 1864. He was in the principal Battles of 1861-62 in western Virginia and Shenandoah Valley and the Army of the Potomac during 1863-64.

After the war, Mr. Elder returned home and engaged in farming until

1903, when he moved to Greensburg. Beginning with two tracts of land, comprising two hundred and forty acres and one hundred and fifty-four acres, Mr. Elder now owns two hundred and thirty acres in one tract and sixty acres in another.

On January 28, 1868, four years after his return home from the army, Mr. Elder was married to Sophronia Cobb, the daughter of Dyer Cobb and a granddaughter of Joshua Cobb, one of the very first pioneers in Washington township, Decatur county, Joshua Cobb having settled in Decatur county in the fall of 1820 on the old Michigan trail, married Almira Tremain, of New York state.

Of the five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Elder, two are deceased. The three living children are Orris Clifford, who lives on the home farm; Mrs. Edna Meek, the wife of Edmund L. Meek, of Clinton township, and Jessie A., who lives at home.

Mr. Elder is a Republican. He and his wife and family are members of the Christian church. He is a member of Pap Thomas Post, Grand Army of the Republic, and of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

LESTER HARDING, COMPILER, HISTORY OF DECATUR COUNTY, INDIANA: IT'S PEOPLE, INDUSTRIES AND INSTITUTIONS (INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA: B. F. BOWEN & COMPANY, INC., 1915), PAGES 698-699; DIGITAL IMAGES, ARCHIVE.ORG, HTTP://WWW.ARCHIVE.ORG VIEWED ONLINE 24 OCTOBER 2022.



Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 4, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SELLERS

Since I've been updating my SELLERS family research, I decided to see what I might have buried in my pre-Internet paper files. Included in my Kentucky research is a handwritten transcription from the book, *Bourbon County, Kentucky Marriage Bonds 1785-1835* by Michael L. Cook.

	Sellars	Mary	28	
	Sellers	Elenor	29	
		Mary	35	
		Nath.	44	
		Nathan	29	
		Sally	44	
28	Lowry Andrew	Sellars Mary	Mar 14, 1799	
29	McCoy Daniel	Sellers Elenor	Apr 13 1807	Rin 586
		bondsman: Nathan Sellers		
35	Neal Benjamin	Sellers Mary	Sept 15 1797	Rin 519
44	Snodgrass Samuel	Sellers Sally	Oct 21, 1805	Rin 196
		bondsman Nath. Sellers		

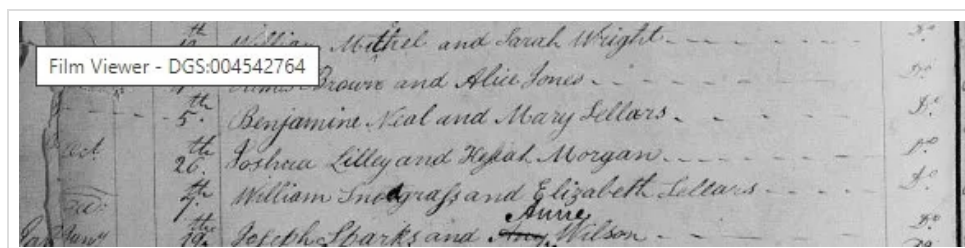
Knowing that I likely could access the FamilySearch microfilm for Bourbon County, Kentucky, I decided to see what I could find in the original records. I started by using the Bourbon County Kentucky Index to Marriages. The 'S' Surnames start on image 306 and I found the Sellars surname on image 375.

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*image 375 of 605**Sellars Elizabeth & Snodgrass, William Vol 1 page 35**Sellars, Mary & Neal, Benjamin Vol 1 page 35**Sellars, Elizabeth & Wardlow, Samuel Vol. 2 page 10**Sellars, Jennie & Barlow, Enoch vol. 2 page 20**Sellars, Isaac & Brandon, Nancy vol. 2 page 20**Sellars, Sally & Snodgrass, Samuel Vol. 2 page 21**Sellars, Nelly & McCoy, Daniel Vol 2 page 30**Sellars, Margaret & Bell, John Vol 2 page 40**Sellers Rosetta Spencer & Scully Thos A vol. 5 page 231*

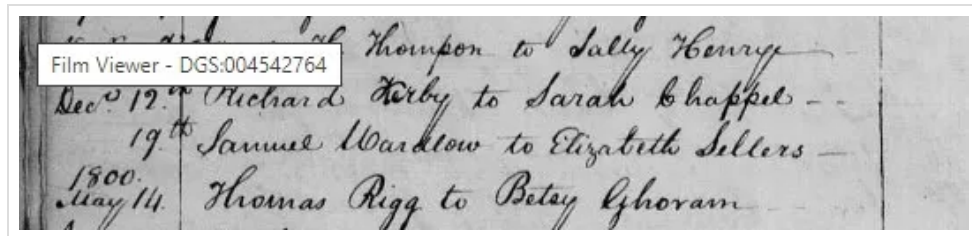
Since the Bourbon County marriage books have been digitized, I then located the original records

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*Bourbon County Kentucky**Marriage Records, 1786-1930**Vols. 1-4 1788-1930**Film 183145 DGS 4542764**Image 24 of 343**Vol. 1 page 35**5th Benjamin Neal and Mary Sellars**7th William Snodgrass and Elizabeth Sellars*

*Image 48 – Typescript**Image 53 – start of Vol. 2**Image 62 – Vol. 2 page 10*

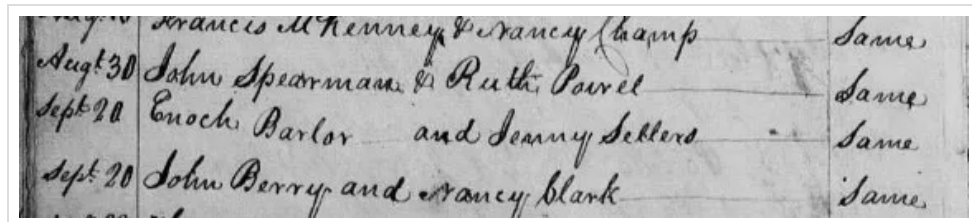
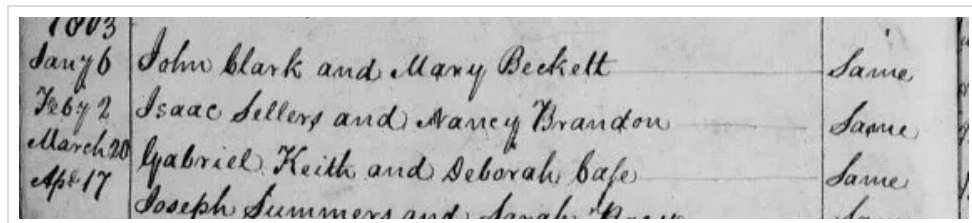
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Dec. 19th Samuel Wardlow to Elizabeth Sellers*Image 67 – Vol. 2 page 20 and 21**page 20*

1803

Feb 2 Isaac Sellers and Nancy Brandon

1804

Sept 20 Enoch Barlor and Jenny Sellers*page 21*

1805

r 22 Samuel Snodgrass and Sally Sellars

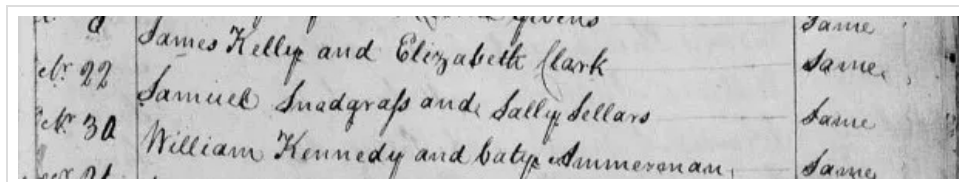


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Apr 16th Daniel McCoy to Nelly Sellers

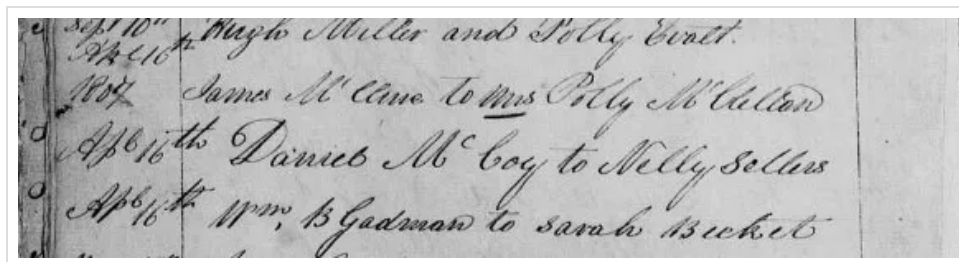
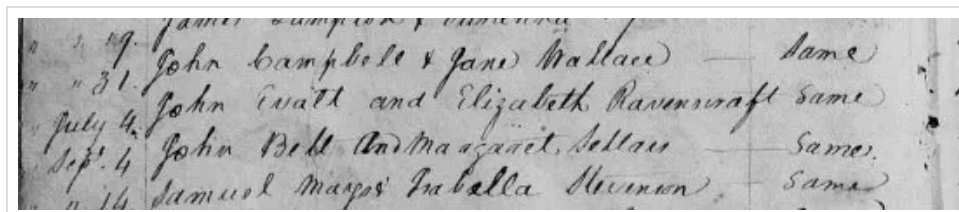


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1809

Sept. 4 John Bell and Margaret Sellers



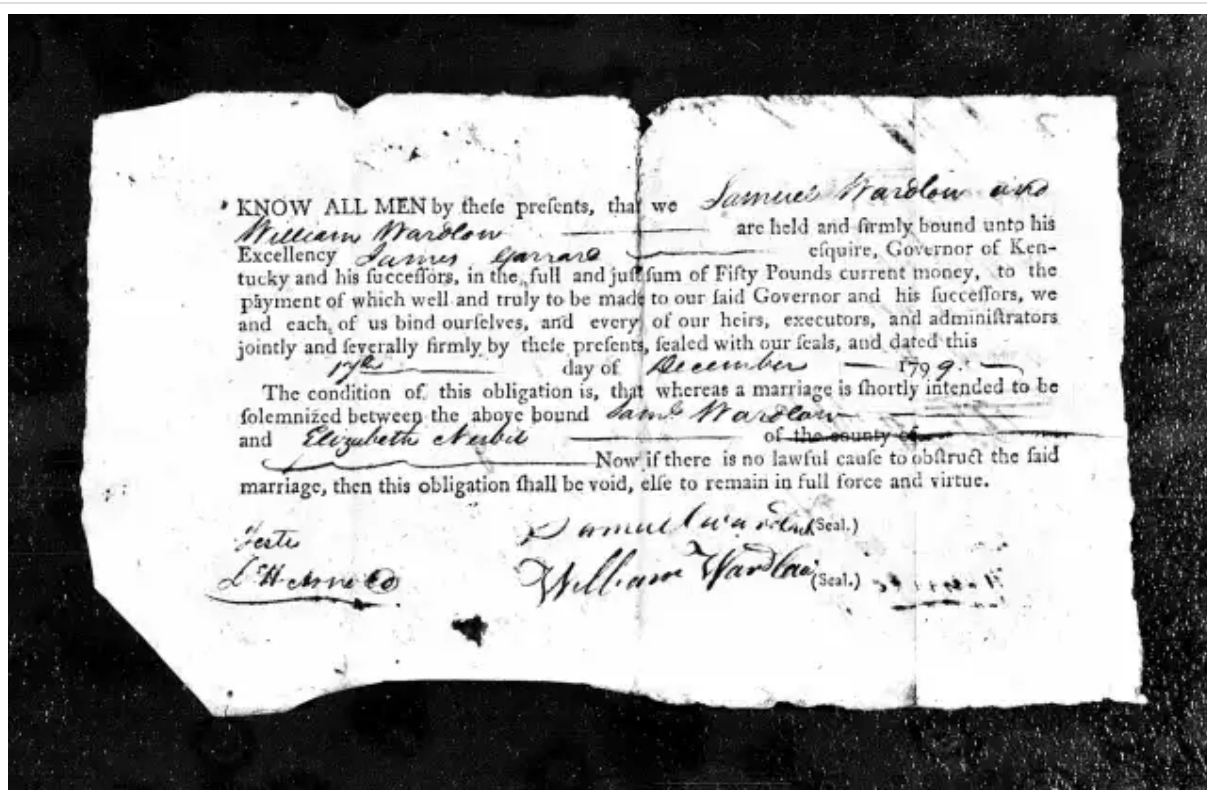
Now that I've found the actual records, I need to figure out how these might fit with my research. I believe the following are daughters of Nathan Sellers who was living in Bourbon County, Kentucky before migrating to Preble County, Ohio.

- Elizabeth Sellers – spouse of William Snodgrass
- Margaret Sellers – spouse of John Bell
- Mary Sellers – spouse of Benjamin Neal
- Sarah Sellers – spouse of Samuel Snodgrass
- Nellie Sellers – spouse of Daniel McCoy

That leaves the following:

- Jennie Sellers – spouse of Enoch Barlor (Barlow) – daughter of John Sellers (brother of Nathan Sellers)
- Isaac Sellers – spouse of Nancy Brandon – son of Isaac Sellers
- Elizabeth Sellers – spouse of Samuel Wardlow

According to the FamilySearch tree, the marriage record for Elizabeth Sellers may be an entry error. The tree has Samuel Wardlow's wife identified as Elizabeth Nesbitt — and there are sources attached to support that surname. The Ancestry database, Kentucky County Marriage Records, 1783-1965 has an image of the marriage bond. This bond has the same marriage date as the Bourbon County KY marriage records but identifies the bride as Elizabeth Nesbitt.



While Samuel Wardlow and his wife Elizabeth likely don't fit in my Sellers bush, all of the others connect to the various SELLERS families that connect to my CRAWFORD research. So, what started as reviewing old notes resulted in location of actual records.

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 5, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Courier Tribune

February 1, 1940

Seneca Youth Seeks to Fly

To Enroll in Naval Training

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He will report at the Kansas City base Feb. 15 for 30 day's training which includes 10 hours of flight instruction. Upon successful completion of this course he will be ordered to the U.S. Naval Air Station at Pensacola, Florida where he will be given the complete course in flight training required of all Naval aviators. Upon completion of this course he will be commissioned an Ensign in the Naval Reserve and may be ordered to one of the aircraft squadrons of the fleet for active duty with full pay and allowances of his rank.

Applicants for this flight training course, which convenes monthly, must have at least two years of university or college education and be a citizen of the United States between the ages of 20 and 27.

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Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 6, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night



Time for Some More Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

A) This is a fun meme from 2016, thanks to Suzanne McClendon on the P.S. Annie blog for the links.

B) Fill in the blanks for these four statements:

1. One Thanksgiving tradition I have is _____.

2. Black Friday _____.

3. The best part about Thanksgiving Day is _____.

4. One Thanksgiving, _____.

One Thanksgiving tradition I have is baking pies. I'm not sure when I took over the task of baking the pies from my grandmother, but that is usually my contribution to large family dinners such as Thanksgiving. When I first started baking the pies, the 'menu' included pumpkin, pecan and cherry since these were the flavors my grandmother always prepared. Over time, the size of the Thanksgiving gathering has decreased. Since I don't wish to have a lot of left over pie in my house, I now only prepare a pumpkin pie. In addition to the pie I prepare for my family, I also bake pies for the Thanksgiving dinner our local church hosts. Thus, the Wednesday before Thanksgiving is spent preparing and baking pies.

I've never been an 'early morning' shopper on Black Friday. However, my husband and I have been known to go shopping on Black Friday. This is primarily because we are typically in a larger town for Thanksgiving dinner and thus around the larger stores on Friday to do our Christmas shopping. However, our willingness to be in crowded situations changed when my husband had a serious case of pneumonia. Since that time, we have been content to avoid Black Friday shopping.

For the past several years, Black Friday has turned into a day for baking. Our local church has a cookie sale the first weekend of December to raise funds to send children to church camp. Thus, Black Friday has become an ideal day to do some of this baking.

The best part about Thanksgiving is family. While my family goes in different directions for Thanksgiving, we do spend a weekend together at the lake in October. This fall was the tenth year in which we have gathered around a campfire and we have reservations for again next year.

One Thanksgiving, my husband and I planned to go to Dodge City to my grandparents for Thanksgiving. This was a six hour drive that could not begin until Wednesday afternoon. Unfortunately, a large snow storm hit that week causing us to remain in Seneca. Thankfully, another teacher invited us to spend the day with her and her family.

James Sellers Family

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 7, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

James Sellers¹ was born about 1764 in Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States.² He was listed on the tax rolls on 6 Aug 1789 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.³ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1791 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.⁴ James was listed on the tax rolls in 1792 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.⁵ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1794 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.⁶ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1795 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.⁷ James was listed on the tax rolls in 1796 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.⁸ He witnessed the marriage of William David Sellers and Sarah Crawford on 2 Feb 1796 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.^{1,9-10} He lived in Garrard, Kentucky, United States in 1800.¹¹⁻¹² James was listed on the tax rolls in 1807 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.¹³ He witnessed the marriage of Benjamin Montgomery and Polly Smith on 14 Mar 1807 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.¹ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1808 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.¹⁴ James lived in Garrard, Kentucky, United States in 1810.¹⁵ He lived in Lancaster, Garrard, Kentucky, United States in 1820.¹⁶ He died about 1827 at the age of 63 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.¹⁷

James Sellers and Mary Crawford were married on 19 Dec 1791 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.^{1-2,18-21} **Mary Crawford**¹⁸, daughter of John Crawford and Rebekah Douglas, was born in 1771 in Virginia, United States.^{2,22} She filed land entry papers on 3 Jan 1831 in Putnam County, Indiana.²³ She lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 22 Aug 1850.²⁴ Mary died on 6 Aug 1855 at the age of 84 in Putnamville, Putnam, Indiana, United States.^{17,22,25} She was buried at Putnamville Cemetery in Putnamville, Putnam, Indiana, United States.^{22,25} James Sellers and Mary Crawford had the following children:

11. John Crawford Sellers was born on 26 Mar 1795 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.^{24,26} He was born on 26 Mar 1796.²⁷⁻²⁸ He was mustered into Johnson's regiment, Kentucky Mounted Volunteer Infantry under Capt. Robert B. McAfee on 20 May 1813 in Kentucky, United States.²⁷⁻³¹ John was mustered out of the militia on 19 Nov 1813.²⁷ He lived in Putnam County, Indiana in 1823.²⁸ He purchased the west half of the north west quarter of section 5 in township 13 north of range 4 west in the district of lands for sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing eight four and 48/100 of an acre on 3 Jan 1828 in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States.^{28,32} John lived in Putnam County, Indiana in 1830.³³ He filed land entry papers for the east half of the south east quarter of section six in township thirteen north of range four west in the district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana containing eighty acres on 3 Jan 1831 in Putnam County, Indiana.³⁴⁻³⁵ He filed land entry papers for the West half of the North West quarter of section eight in township thirteen North of range four West in the district of lands for sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing eighty acres on 3 Jan 1831 in Putnam County, Indiana.³⁶ John was a member of the Presbyterian Church at in Putnamville, Putnam, Indiana, United States.²⁸ He filed land entry papers for the East half of the South west quarter of section five in Township Thirteen North of Range four West in the District of Lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing eighty acres on 9 Sep 1834 in Putnam County, Indiana.³⁷ He lived in Washington Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States in 1840.³⁸ John lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 22 Aug 1850.²⁴ He lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 21 Jun 1860.³⁹ He lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States in 1870.⁴⁰ John lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 5 Jul 1870.⁴¹ He died on 1 Nov 1874 at the age of 79 in Putnam County, Indiana.^{26,28} He was buried in Nov 1874 at Putnamville Cemetery in Putnam County, Indiana.^{26,28}

John Crawford Sellers and Fannie Ann Brown²⁸ were married on 1 Mar 1821 in Lancaster, Garrard, Kentucky, United States.^{28,42-44} **Fannie Ann Brown**⁴⁵, daughter of William James Brown and Elizabeth Duddleson, was born about 1804 in Virginia, United States.²⁴ She lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 22 Aug 1850.²⁴ She lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 21 Jun 1860.³⁹ Fannie lived in Warren Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 5 Jul 1870.⁴¹ She died before 24 Jul 1878 at the age of 74 in Putnam County, Indiana.²⁸ She was buried in 1878 at Putnamville Cemetery in

Putnam County, Indiana.^{28,46} Fannie had letters of administration for her estate issued to Joseph B. Sellers in Jul 1878 in Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁴⁷

12. Rebecca Sellers was born on 12 Nov 1797 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.⁴⁸⁻⁴⁹ She lived in Putnam County, Indiana about 1830.²⁷ She lived in Greencastle, Putnam, Indiana, United States in 1850.⁵⁰ Rebecca lived in Greencastle, Putnam, Indiana, United States in 1860.⁵¹ She lived in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana in 1870.⁵² She died on 27 Sep 1871 at the age of 73 in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana.^{49,53} Rebecca was buried at Forest Hill Cemetery in Greencastle, Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁴⁹

Rebecca Sellers and John Finley Seller were married on 24 Jul 1817 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.^{48-49,53-56} **John Finley Seller**, son of John Sellers and Elizabeth Finley, was born on 22 Feb 1791 in Harrison County, Kentucky.^{48,53,57} He served in the military in 1812.⁵³ He lived in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana about 1822.^{48,53} John appeared on the census of 1830 in Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁵⁸ He lived in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana in 1840.⁵⁹ He lived in Greencastle, Putnam, Indiana, United States in 1850.⁵⁰ John lived in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana in 1860.⁵¹ He lived in Greencastle Township, Putnam County, Indiana in 1870.⁵² He died on 12 Jun 1875 at the age of 84 in Putnam County, Indiana.^{53,57} John was buried at Forest Hill Cemetery in Greencastle, Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁵⁷

13. Nathan Sellers was born in 1800 in Kentucky, United States.^{17,60} He appeared on the census of 1830 in Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁶¹ He filed land entry papers for the east half of the north east quarter of section one in township thirteen north of range five west in the district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing sixty-four acres and fifty six hundredths of an acre on 1 Feb 1831 in Putnam County, Indiana.⁶² Nathan filed land entry papers for the west half of the north east quarter of section one in township thirteen north of range five west in the district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing sixty four acres and fifty six hundredths of an acre on 1 May 1833 in Putnam County, Indiana.⁶³ He lived in Washington Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 22 Aug 1850.⁶⁰ He appeared in the household of George D. Sellers in the census on 22 Aug 1850 in Washington Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁶⁰ Nathan appeared in the

household of Susan Sellers in the census on 22 Aug 1850 in Washington Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States.⁶⁰ He lived in Appanoose, Iowa, United States in 1854.¹⁷ He lived in Troy Township, Monroe, Iowa, United States in 1856.⁶⁴ Nathan lived in Troy Township, Monroe, Iowa, United States in 1860.⁶⁵ He lived in Albia, Monroe County, Iowa in 1870.⁶⁶ He died in 1875 at the age of 75 in Appanoose, Iowa, United States.¹⁷

Nathan Sellers and Mary Yewell were married on 16 Dec 1824 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.^{17,67-69} **Mary Yewell**⁶⁷, daughter of and Margaret Yewell, was born about 1805 in Kentucky, United States.^{60,70-71} She lived in Washington Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States on 22 Aug 1850.⁶⁰ She lived in Troy Township, Monroe, Iowa, United States in 1856.⁶⁴ Mary lived in Troy Township, Monroe, Iowa, United States in 1860.⁶⁵ She lived in Albia, Monroe County, Iowa in 1870.⁶⁶ She lived in Albia, Monroe County, Iowa in 1880.⁷² Mary lived in Albia, Monroe County, Iowa in 1885.⁷³ She died on 20 Sep 1885 at the age of 80 in Albia, Monroe County, Iowa.^{17,70-71,74} She was buried at Oakland Cemetery in Moulton, Appanoose, Iowa, United States.⁷⁰⁻⁷¹

14. Sarah Sellers was born on 28 Jan 1806 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.⁷⁵ She lived in Decatur, Indiana, United States in 1820.⁷⁶ She lived in Putnam County, Indiana about 1830.²⁷ Sarah lived in Washington Township, Decatur, Indiana, United States in 1850.⁷⁷ She died on 19 May 1855 at the age of 49 in Decatur, Indiana, United States.⁷⁸ She was buried at Union Baptist Church in Greensburg, Decatur, Indiana, United States.⁷⁸

Sarah Sellers and William Elder were married on 23 Jan 1826 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.⁷⁹⁻⁸⁰ **William Elder** was born in 1802.⁷⁶ He lived in Decatur, Indiana, United States in 1820.⁷⁶ He filed land entry papers in 1826 in Decatur, Indiana, United States.⁷⁶ William lived in Washington Township, Decatur, Indiana, United States in 1850.⁷⁷

15. William Harvey Sellers was born about 1808 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States. He lived with 1 male 15 to 20, 1 male 20 to 30, and 1 female 15 to 20 in his household in Putnam County, Indiana in 1830.⁶¹ He filed land entry papers on 3 Jan 1831 in Putnam County, Indiana.⁸¹ William filed land entry papers for the north half of the north west fractional quarter of section six in township thirteen north of range four west in the district of lands

subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing forty-nine acres and ninety eight hundredths of an acre on 18 Mar 1837 in Putnam County, Indiana. He appeared on the census of in 1840 in in Marion Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States being listed as .⁸² He lived in Crawford County, Missouri in 1850.⁸³ William on 17 Nov 1853 in Avery (historical), Crawford, Missouri, United States.⁸⁴ He lived in Johnson Township, Maries, Missouri, United States on 28 Jul 1860.⁸⁵ He lived in Rolla Township, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 29 Jun 1870.⁸⁶ William died about 1875 at the age of 67 in Phelps, Missouri, United States.

William Harvey Sellers and Mariah Williams were married on 24 Mar 1830.⁸⁷⁻⁸⁹ **Mariah Williams** was born about 1818. She lived in Crawford County, Missouri in 1850.⁸³ She lived in Crawford County, Missouri in 1850.⁸³ Mariah lived in Johnson Township, Maries, Missouri, United States on 28 Jul 1860.⁸⁵ She died about 1869 at the age of 51.

William Harvey Sellers and Marian Johnson were married on 20 Jun 1870 in Phelps, Missouri, United States.⁹⁰⁻⁹¹ **Marian Johnson**⁸⁶ was born about 1840 in Missouri, United States.⁸⁶ She lived in Rolla Township, Phelps, Missouri, United States on 29 Jun 1870.⁸⁶

16. Harrison Perry Sellers was born on 9 Jun 1813 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.⁹² He filed land entry papers the North East quarter of the South West quarter of section thirty five in township fourteen North of range four West in the district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana containing forty acres on 9 Sep 1834 in Putnam County, Indiana.⁹³ He filed land entry papers on 9 Sep 1834 in Putnam County, Indiana.⁹⁴ Harrison appeared on the census of in 1840 in in Greencastle Township, Putnam, Indiana, United States listed as .⁹⁵ He lived in Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1850.⁹⁶ He filed land entry papers on 1 Apr 1850 in Lucas, Iowa, United States.⁹⁷⁻⁹⁸ Harrison filed land entry papers on 1 Aug 1854 in Lucas, Iowa, United States.⁹⁹ He was assigned warrant #2401 for 40 acres in the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of section 17 in Township seventy two North of Range twenty West in district of lands subject to sale at Clariton Iowa on 1 Mar 1855 in Lucas, Iowa, United States.¹⁰⁰ He was assigned 40 acres in the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of section seventeen in township seventy two North of Range twenty west in district of lands subject to sale at Clariton, Iowa on 1 Mar 1855 in Lucas, Iowa, United States.¹⁰¹ Harrison lived in Cedar Township, Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1860.¹⁰² He lived in Iowa, United States before 1861.²⁷ He lived in Cedar Township,

Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1880.^{103–104} Harrison lived in Cedar Township, Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1885.¹⁰⁵ He died on 23 Jul 1895 at the age of 82 in Russell, Lucas, Iowa, United States.^{92,106–107} He signed a will on 23 Mar 1898 in Lucas, Iowa, United States.¹⁰⁸ Harrison was buried at Bethel Cemetery in Williamson, Lucas, Iowa, United States.⁹²

Harrison Perry Sellers and Margaret Van Landingham were married on 27 Nov 1833 in Putnam County, Indiana.^{109–113} **Margaret Van Landingham** lived in Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1850.⁹⁶ She lived in Cedar Township, Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1860.¹⁰² She lived in Cedar Township, Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1880.¹⁰³ Margaret lived in Cedar Township, Lucas, Iowa, United States in 1885.¹⁰⁵

17. James Nelson Sellers was born on 3 Dec 1817 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.¹¹⁴ He lived in Putnam County, Indiana about 1830.²⁷ He filed land entry papers for the south west quarter of the north east quarter of section thirteen in township thirteen north of range five west in district of lands subject to sale at Crawfordsville, Indiana, containing thirty eight and sixty four hundredths of an acre on 10 May 1848 in Putnam County, Indiana. James lived in Lewis, Missouri, United States in 1850.¹¹⁵ He lived in Lewis, Missouri, United States in 1860.¹¹⁶ He lived in Troy Township, Monroe, Iowa, United States in 1870.¹¹⁷ James lived in Edna Township, Cass, Iowa, United States in 1880.¹¹⁸ He died on 19 Dec 1882 at the age of 65 in Cumberland, Cass, Iowa, United States.^{114,119–120} He was buried at Newlons Grove Cemetery in Cass, Iowa, United States.¹¹⁴

James Nelson Sellers and Matilda Ann McCoy were married. **Matilda Ann McCoy** lived in Lewis, Missouri, United States in 1850.¹¹⁵ She lived in Dickerson Township, Lewis, Missouri, United States in 1860.¹¹⁶ She lived in Troy Township, Monroe, Iowa, United States in 1870.¹¹⁷ Matilda lived in Edna Township, Cass, Iowa, United States in 1880.¹¹⁸

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Ancestry – FamilySearch Connection

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/ CATEGORIES: FAMILYSEARCH

Are you an avid Ancestry user? Have you noticed the film numbers that appear on some results?



The screenshot displays a FamilySearch record for William Snodgrass. The title is "William Snodgrass in the Kentucky, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1783-1965". On the left, there is a thumbnail of a handwritten document and two links: "Add or update information" and "Report a problem". The main section is a table with two tabs: "Detail" (selected) and "Source". The table contains the following information:

	Detail	Source
Name:	William Snodgrass	
Gender:	Male	
Marriage Date:	5 Dec 1797	
Marriage Place:	Bourbon, Kentucky, USA	
Spouse:	Elizabeth Sellers	
Film Number:	000183076	

The "Film Number" row is highlighted in yellow. Below the table is a blue "Save" button with a dropdown arrow. On the right side, there is a "Suggest" section with a question mark icon and a list of suggested records.

If so, have you ever tried to locate the film on FamilySearch? Using the Catalog, one can search for the film number by clicking on the link to Film/Fiche/Image Group Number (DGS) to open the search box where the film number can be entered.

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Thus a quick search for film 183076 pulls up the Marriage records, 1786-1930 for Bourbon County, Kentucky.

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Marriage records, 1786-1930

Author: Bourbon County (Kentucky). Clerk of the County Court; University of Kentucky (Lexington). Margaret I. King Library; Kentucky. County Court (Bourbon County)

What may not be obvious is that the search takes one to the group of records that include the film number. Thus, one has to scroll down the page (or pages) to locate the actual desired film number).

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Loose, drawer 3 1799-1802 (pt. 2)	Family History Library	United States & Canada 2nd Floor Film	183077	4542751	Q
Loose, drawer 4 1803-1806	Family History Library	United States & Canada 2nd Floor Film	183078	4542752	Q
Loose, drawer 5 1807-1810	Family History Library	United States & Canada 2nd Floor Film	183079	4542753	Q

In this example, the desired film has a search function. Thus, I don't have to scroll thru the film to locate the record but can do a quick search and locate the record.

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Name **Events** **Relationships**

William Snodgrass
Groom
Kentucky, County Marriages, 1797-1954

Marriage 5 December 1797
Bourbon, Kentucky, United States

Spouses Elizabeth Sellers

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Clicking on the camera icon, opens an image of the marriage record — which is the same image found on Ancestry.

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While my example shows the two databases leading to the same image, that isn't always the case. Thus, taking the time to follow that film number lead may uncover additional information.

Fort Ruddell

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

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/ CATEGORIES: KENTUCKY, SELLERS

Since I've been updating my research of several SELLERS bushes in my tree, I decided to look at some of my old files and found information about a Sellers family and Fort Ruddell in early Kentucky. My photocopies from the book, Paris (Hopewell) Sesquicentennial, provides a list of the inhabitants of the fort when Captain Bird, his British troops and Indian warriors attacked the fort.

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Forts

Ruddles Fort

Built 1779 by Isaac Ruddel one mile from Lair Station near Bourbon County line, now Harrison County.

The following list of persons resided at Ruddle's Station at the time that fort was taken by Captain Bird and his British and Indian warriors. Ref.: Draper Mss. and Depositions filed in suits.

Capt. Isaac Ruddell

Elizabeth Bowman Ruddell

John Rudell, son of Isaac

Isaac Ruddell, Jr., son of Isaac

Stephen Ruddell, aged 8, Son of Isaac

Elizabeth Ruddell, small child

Capt. Jhn Hinkson

Lieut. ___ Ravenscraft

Capt. John James Trabue

Nicholas Hart
John Burger
Samuel VanHook (later at Martin's)
James Ruddle
John McFall
Mrs. John McFall
Robert McDaniel
Mrs. Robert McDaniel
McDaniel Children
Martin Toffelmire
Mrs. Toffelmire
Six Toffelmire Children
Jacob Markle
Christian Spears
Anna Maria — his fiancée
John Long
Mrs. John Long
Rhoda Long, young child
Four other Long children
Michael Goodnight
Peter Goodnight
John Goodnight
Misses Goodnight
David White
John Conway
Mrs. John Conway
Seven Conway children
Samuel Brook
Thomas Davis
Sarah Ruddle Davis
Capt. John Duncan
Nellie Sharp Duncan
Master Duncan, son
Frank Berry — tradition

Nelly Sharp Berry

Patrick Mahan taken to Detroit

John Mahan

Thomas Mahan

Miss Mahan — married Wilson

Wm. Mahan, youth, kept journal at Wilson's station when he returned from Montreal, about 18 years old

Margaret Mahan

Isabella Mahan

Jane Mahan

Isabella Mahan Morrow

James Mahan

James Morrow

Mrs. Agnes Mahan

Mrs. Lapost

Master Lapost

Judy Lapost

Wm. Whitesides

Mr. Purseley

Henry Groff

John Denton

Miss Denton

Mrs. Denton

Mrs. Horn

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Catherine Horn

Mr. Sellers

Mrs. Sellers

Sellers children

Samuel Conway

Miss Conway

Mrs. Samuel Conway

Two Misses Conway
Mr. and Mrs. Lail
Capt. Charles Gatliffe
Give Gatliffe children
Robert (or Charles) Knox
Wm. Marshall
**Gasper Casner, 1780*
George Finley, 1780
Benj. Harrison, 1780
George, Givens
Samuel Givens

** Capser Karner ?*

**ARDERY, MRS. WM. BRECKENRIDGE. PARIS (HOPEWELL) SESQUICENTENNIAL. NP: MRS.
W. B. ARDERY, 1939.**

While the book indicates Fort Ruddle was attacked, it does not provide details about the attack or what happened to the occupants. Fortunately, a detailed account of this attack was published by the Kentucky Historical Society in the October 1956 edition of their Register.

Below is an account of the capture and plundering of Fort Ruddle.

information the people received of the approach of an enemy was the report from a discharge of one of the field pieces. Byrd sent in a flag and demanded surrender at discretion, to which demand Captain Ruddle answered that he could not consent to surrender, but on certain conditions, one of which was that the prisoners should be under the protection of the British and not suffered to be prisoners of the Indians; to these terms Colonel Byrd consented, and immediately the gates were opened to him. No sooner were the gates opened than the Indians rushed into the station and each seized the first person they could lay their hands on and claimed them as their own prisoner. In this way the members of every family were separated from each other, the husband from the wife, and the parents from their children. The piercing screams of the children, when torn from their mothers, the distracted throes of the mothers when forced from their tender offspring, are indescribable. Ruddle remonstrated with Colonel Byrd against this barbarous conduct of the Indians, but to no effect. He confessed that it was out of his power to restrain them, their numbers being so much greater than that of the troops over which he had control; that he himself was completely in their power.

After the people were entirely stripped of all their property and the prisoners divided among the captors, the Indians proposed to Colonel Byrd to march to and take Martin's Station which was about five miles from Ruddle's; but Colonel Byrd was so affected by the conduct of the Indians to the prisoners taken, that he peremptorily refused unless the chiefs would pledge themselves on behalf of the Indians that all the prisoners taken should be entirely under his control, and that the Indians should only be entitled to the plunder. Upon these propositions being agreed to by the chiefs, the army marched to Martin's Station and took it without opposition. The Indians divided the spoil among themselves, and Colonel Byrd took charge of the prisoners.

Lafferty, Maude Ward, "Destruction of Ruddle's and Martin's Forts in the Revolutionary War" The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, Vol. 54, October, 1956, No. 189.

Many of the captured prisoners were marched from Kentucky to Detroit, with some going on to Montreal.

The details of the route they took are given in a statement by Captain John Dunkin,[44] who says:

June 26, 1780, I was taken from Licking Creek in Kentucky County by Captain Henry Bird of the 8th Regiment of his Majesty's forces in conjunction with about eight hundred Indians of different Nations-Viz. Mingoes; Delawares, Shawnees, Hurons, Ottaways, Taways and Chippeways. We marched from our village the 27th, being in number 129 men, women and children. We marched down Licking about 50 miles to the Ohio and from thence up ye Big Miami River about 170 miles to the Standing Stone, and from thence up said river to Larramie's [Lorimer's] Store 14 miles on the head of the Miami; and from thence across by land 18 miles to the Landing on the River Glaise-and from thence down said river passing a Taway village and to the mouth of said river about 80 miles at a small village of Miami Indians on the River Miami; from thence down said river about 40 miles to an Indian village called Rose de Boo-and from thence down said river about 18 miles to Lake Erie, where we went on board the Hope, mounted six pounders, Captain Graves commander; and so across the said lake to the mouth of the Detroit River, and 18 miles up to the same to the fort and town of Detroit, which place we arrived at the 4th of August, 1780- where they were kept until the 24th when 33 of us were put on board the Gage, Captain Burnit commander, mounted 8 guns, and from thence to Fort Erie- and thence in battoes 18 miles down the River Niagara to Fort Slusher, at the head of the great fall-and from thence in wagons, 9 miles, where we again went in battoes down said river to Fort Niagara at the mouth of said river on the 29th; and on the 5th of September we were again put on board the Ontario, Captain Cowan commander, and so across the Lake Ontario to Carlton Island on the 8th, and on the 10th we sent off down the long Sac and into Sandijest Lake, and so down Rapids into Grand River and through a small lake and so the Lasheen. From thence by land 9 miles to Montreal on the 14th of September, 1780, and on tile 17th we were sent into Grant's Island and remained there until the 25th of October, when we were again taken back into Montreal and billeted in St. Lawrence suburbs. I was put in confinement in the Long Gaol September 1st, and remained in close confinement until the 17th day of October, when I was permitted to go and live with my faintly with the privilege of walking the town and suburbs.

Lafferty, Maude Ward, "Destruction of Ruddle's and Martin's Forts in the Revolutionary War" The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, Vol. 54, October, 1956, No. 189.

Captain Bird related the conditions of the march to Detroit in his letter written in July of 1780.

rain which prevented them being seen clearly- They stood two discharges of the nine gun, which only cut down a spar and stuck the shot in the side of a house-When they saw the Six Pounder moving across the field, they immediately surrendered, they thought the Three Pounder a Swivel the Indians and their department had got with them - The conditions granted that their lives should be saved, and themselves taken to Detroit, I forewarn'd them that the Savages would adopt some of their children. The Indians gave in council the cattle for food for our people & the prisoners and were not to enter till the next day: But whilst Capt. McKee and myself were in the fort settling these matters with the poor people, they rushed in, tore the poor children from their mothers breasts, killed a wounded man and every one of the cattle, leaving the whole to stink. We had brought no pork with us & were now reduced to great distress, & the poor prisoners in danger of being starved.

I talked hardly to them of their breach of promise-But however we marched to the next fort, which surrendered without firing a gun. The same promises were made & broke in the same manner, not one pound of meat & near 300 prisoners-Indians breaking into the forts after the treaties were concluded. The rebels ran from the next fort and the Indians burn's it - They then heard news of Col. Clark's coming against them & proposed returning-which indeed had they not proposed I must have insisted on, as I had then fasted some time & the prisoners in danger of starving-incessant rains rotted our people's feet the Indians almost all left us within a days march of the enemy. It was with difficulty I procured a guide thro' the woods - I marched the poor women & children 20 miles in one day over very high mountains, frightening them with frequent alarms to push them forward, in short, Sir, by water and land we came with all our cannon & c 90 miles in 4 days, one day out of which we lay by entirely, rowing 50 miles the last day-we have no meat and must subsist on flour if there is nothing for us at Lorimiers. I am out of hope of getting any Indians to hunt, or accompany us, however George Girty I detain to assist me-I could Sir by all accounts have gone through the whole country without any opposition, had the Indians preserved the cattle. Everything is safe, so far, but we are not yet out of reach of pursuit-As a very smart fellow escaped. from me within 26 miles of the Enemy-Provisions and perougues we shall want at the glaize and the vessel at the mouth of the Miamis.

Lafferty, Maude Ward, "Destruction of Ruddle's and Martin's Forts in the Revolutionary War" The Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, Vol. 54, October, 1956, No. 189.

While the article in the Register does not discuss their release, the book, *The British Invasion of Kentucky*, by Winston Coleman provides details about their release in 1782 with some held prisoner until 1795.

Most of the Kentucky prisoners remained in British custody for the next two and one-half years. A number of Negro slaves were among the captives from Ruddell's and Martin's stations and these, it seems, were bought for the most part by British officers and French traders. Many of the white men were put to work at small pay; others were kept in jails. Still others escaped and some were ransomed.

On August 31, 1782, Colonel Benjamin Logan, County Lieutenant of Lincoln County, advised the Governor of Virginia of the sad fate of the remaining Kentucky prisoners, stating that "many of the men were taken to Detroit & their wives retained among the Indians as slaves.[49] Some of the men are now at Montreal," continued Logan, "and others in different parts toward the [Great] Lakes." [50] Governor Benjamin Harrison, on October 25th, 1782, relayed these facts to General George Washington, calling attention to an existing cartel "for the exchange & relief of prisoners taken in the Southern department," by which "these poor people [the Kentuckians] have a just cause to their release." [51] However, nothing came of the matter until a preliminary treaty of peace between Great Britain and the United States was signed at Paris, France, on November 30th, 1782. [52] Under this treaty, the prisoners taken at Ruddell's and Martin's stations were finally released.

On December 7th, 1782, Governor Harrison wrote that the Virginia Assembly had made an appropriation "for the relief of 200 men, women & children, taken prisoners from Kentucky," who "were now on their way home." [53] After many hardships and untold sufferings, a considerable number of the former captives returned to the settlements of Kentucky, including Captain Isaac Ruddell, [54] commander of the ill-fated garrison. There were a few others, however, who had been adopted into the Indian tribes and were not released until the signing of Wayne's treaty, at Greenville, in 1795.

Coleman, Winston. The British Invasion of Kentucky. Lexington, KY: Winburn Press, 1951.

While Nathan Sellers of Preble County, Ohio is said to have migrated to Preble county from Bourbon County, Kentucky, I currently have no record indicating that the Sellers family at Fort Ruddle was Nathan Sellers – or even related to him.

Since Nathan Sellers of Preble County, Ohio has a DAR marker on his grave, I decided to look up his military record to see if he was serving in 1780. That's when I discovered that the DAR has indicated that future applicants must prove correct service for Nathan Sellers of Preble County, Ohio. While it is possible that Nathan Sellers was at Fort Ruddle, one would think that there would be mention of this in county histories.

Until I find more information, the identity of the SELLERS family at Fort Ruddle will remain a mystery.

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Virginia Tax Payers

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 10, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, FAN CLUB, SELLERS

Do you ever come across a simple sentence in a county history that changes your previous theories about a family? Well that happened to me when I was researching the family of James and Mary (Crawford) Sellers.

For years, I've thought that the SELLERS family was in Pennsylvania before migrating to Kentucky and then to Ohio and Indiana. Perhaps that thought was based on the fact that Nathan Sellers (1753-1824) was thought to have served during the revolutionary war for Pennsylvania.

In my old research notes is a history of the John Crawford Sellers family that I must have overlooked the sentence stating the family migrated to Kentucky from Virginia.

” *following the trails of Daniel Boone and other Indiana warriors from Virginia into Kentucky,*

SEE POST - SELLERS BIOGRAPHY

In trying to find sources to support this statement, I elected to look at tax records to see what they would reveal about the Seller family. Based on previous research of these records, I had already found the following for the family of Nathaniel Sellers:

- Nathaniel Sellers (1720-1795) — Listed on 1787 tax in Lincoln County Kentucky

- Joseph Sellers – listed on 1789 tax in Lincoln County — moving to Bourbons County KY by 1792
- Samuel Sellers – listed on 1792 tax in Lincoln County KY
- John Sellers — listed on 1783 tax in Lincoln County KY
- Nathan A. Sellers – listed on 1787 tax in Lincoln County KY and then on 1788 tax in Bourbon County KY
- James Sellers – listed on 1789 tax in Lincoln County KY
- William David Sellers — listed on 1792 tax in Lincoln County KY

Knowing that I had the family on these tax records, I wondered whether I could locate them on earlier tax records. In my search for potential tax records, I came across the book, *Virginia Tax Payers 1782-1787* by Augusta B. Fothergill and John Mark Naugle. Looking thru this book, I decided to extract data for my CRAWFORD fan club in these Virginia tax records.

Page	Surname	Given	Poll	Slaves	County	Year
1	Adams	Absalom	1		Cul	1783
1	Adams	Absalom	3	1	Cul	1783
3	Adams	Feathergill	2	4	Fau	1782
3	Adams	Reuben	1	1	Brun	1782
3	Anderson	John	1	6	Caro	1783
3	Anderson	John	1		Cul	1783
3	Anderson	John			Cul	1783
3	Anderson	John	1		Fau	1782
3	Anderson	John	1		Henry	1782
3	Anderson	John	1	33	K Wm	1782
3	Anderson	John	1		Loui	1782
3	Anderson	John	1		Mont	1782

3	Anderson John	1	1	Pr Wm	1782
3	Anderson John	2	1	Spots	1782
21	Campbell Andrew	1		Aug	1782
21	Campbell Charles	1	1	Fay	1787
21	Campbell Charles	1	2	Lin	1787
21	Campbell Charles	1	2	Rock	1782
21	Campbell Charles	1	1	Rock	1782
21	Campbell Ezekiel	1		Bot	1784
21	Campbell George	1		Aug	1782
21	Campbell George	1		Rock	1782
21	Campbell George	1		Rock	1782
21	Campbell Henry	2		Rock	1782
21	Campbell Hugh	1		Aug	1782
21	Campbell Hugh	1		Fay	1787
21	Campbell Isaac	1		Mont	1782
21	Campbell James	1		Aug	1782
21	Campbell James	1	7	Mont	1782
21	Campbell Joanne		1	Fay	1787
21	Campbell John			Aug	1782
21	Campbell John	1		Aug	1782
21	Campbell John	1	2	Aug	1782
21	Campbell John	1		Lou	1782

21	Campbell John	Jr	2		Lou	1782
21	Campbell John		1		Rock	1782
21	Campbell John				Rock	1782
21	Campbell Joseph		1		Lin	1787
21	Campbell Joseph		1		Lin	1787
21	Campbell Joseph	Sr	1		Rock	1782
21	Campbell Joseph	Jr	1		Rock	1782
21	Campbell Mary		1	1	Aug	1782
21	Campbell Patrick		1	1	Fay	1787
21	Campbell Patrick		2	1	Mont	1782
21	Campbell Robert	Sr	1	1	Aug	1782
21	Campbell Robert		1	1	Aug	1782
	Campbell Samuel		1	4	Bed	1782
21	Campbell William		1	1	Aug	1782
21	Campbell William		1		Bot	1784
21	Campbell William		1	2	Bot	1784
21	Campbell William			3	Bot	1784
21	Campbell William		1	2	Fay	1787
21	Campbell William		3		Fay	1787
21	Campbell William		1		Fay	1787
21	Campbell William				Fay	1787
21	Campbell William		1		Lin	1787

30	Crafford	Archelus	1		Cul.	1783
30	Crafford	Gideon	1	2	Cul	1783
30	Crafford	Mary	no	7	So'n	1782
30	Crafford	William	2	7	Cul	1783
30	Craford	John	1	5	Loui	1782
30	Craford	Rebecca			Lin	1787
30	Crawford	Alexander	1	2	Aug	1782
30	Crawford	Andrew	1	0	Bot	1784
30	Crawford	Andrew Jr	1	0	Bot	1784
30	Crawford	Andrew	1	9	West	1783
30	Crawford	archibald	1	0	Bot	1784
30	Crawford	Christopher	1		Spots	1782
30	crawford	David	1	0	Aug	1782
30	Crawford	Edward	1	9	Mont	1782
30	Crawford	George		0	Aug	1782
30	Crawford	George	blank			
30	Crawford	James	3	10	Aug	1782
30	Crawford	James	1	1	Aug	1782
30	Crawford	James	1	1	Aug	1782
30	Crawford	James	1	0	BOt	1784
30	Crawford	James	1	2	Fay	1787
30	Crawford	James	1	0	Mont	1782

30	Crawford James		1	0	Rock	1782
30	Crawford James		1	0	Spots	1782
30	Crawford James	Sr	1	6	Spots	1782
30	Crawford John		1	4	Aug	1782
30	crawford John		1	1	Bot	1784
30	Crawford John	Jr	1	0	BOt	1784
30	Crawford John		1	2	Hen	1782
30	Crawford Josiah		1	0	BOt	1784
30	Crawford Nathan		1	0	Aug	1782
30	Crawford Oliver				Cul	1783
30	Crawford Patrick		2	7	AUg	1782
30	Crawford Peter		1	3	Loui	1782
30	Crawford Presley		1	1	West	1783
30	Crawford rev.	Edwa1		3	Bot	1784
30	Crawford Robert		1	0	Mont	1782
30	Crawford Samuel		1	2	Bot	1784
30	Crawford Samuel		2	0	Bot	1784
30	Crawford William		1	4	Aug	1782
30	Crawford William		1	0	AUg	1782
30	Crawford william		1	1	Bot	1784
30	Crawford William			0	Bot	1784
30	crawford William		1	0	Bot	1784

30	Crawford	William	1	0	Fau	1782
30	Crawford	William	1	0	Rock	1782
30	Crawford	William	1	0	Rock	1782
38	Dooley	Abraham	1		Mont	1782
38	Dooley	George	1	1	Bed	1782
38	Dooley	John	1		Bed	1782
38	Dooley	John	1		Bed	1782
38	Dooley	Joseph	1		Bed	1782
38	Dooley	Rebecca		2	Bed	1782
38	Dooley	Stephen	1		Bed	1782
38	Dooley	Thomas	1		Bed	1782
38	Dooley	Thomas	1	2	Henry	1782
38	Dooley	Thomas Jr	1		Bed	1782
38	Dooley	Valentine	1		Rock	1782
38	Douglas	Alexander	1		Lin	1787
38	Douglas	George	2		Lin	1787
38	Douglas	John	1		Berk	1782
38	Douglas	John	1	8	K&q	1782
38	Douglas	Robert	Sr		Camp	1785
38	Douglas	Robert	Jr	1	Camp	1785
38	Douglas	Sarah			K Geo	1782

38	Douglas	William		1	1	berk	1782
38	Douglass	David		1	4	Bed	1782
38	Douglass	David		2		Henry	1782
38	Douglass	Hugh				Loui	1782
38	Douglass	Jamaes		1	3	Mont	1782
38	Douglass	John		1	5	Buck	1782
38	Douglass	John		1	3	Fau	1782
38	Douglass	Mrs Cato		1	20	Pr Wm	1782
38	Douglass	Thomas		1		Aug	1782
38	Douglass	William			1	Ch Cy	1783
38	Douglass	William		3	20	Loui	1782
37	Dugan	Alexander		2		Har	1786
37	Dugan	William		1		Har	1786
40	Elder	William	Sr	1		Din	1782
40	Ellis	James		1	4	Aug	1782
40	Ellis	Joseph		1		Berk	1782
40	Ellis	Joseph		1		Gooch	1782
40	Ellis	Joseph		2	14	Hen	1782
40	Ellis	Joseph		1		Henry	1782
43	Finley	Benjamin		1		Aug	1782
43	Finley	George		1	1	Wash	1782

43	Finley	James		2		Mont	1782
43	Finley	John		1		Aug	1782
43	Finley	John		1	1	Aug	1782
43	Finley	John		2	1	Aug	1782
43	Finley	John		1		Rock	1782
43	Finley	Robert	Jr	1	1	Aug	1782
43	Finley	Samuel		1		Mont	1782
43	Finley	Thomas		1		Mont	1782
43	Finley	William		1	4	Aug	1782
43	Finley	William		1	6	Mont	1782
	Gass	John		Not listed			
53	Guthery	William		1		Aug	1782
53	Gutrey	William		1		Bot	1784
71	Kennedy	Thomas		1		Berk	1782
81	Maxill	John	Jr	1	1	Lin	1787
81	Maxill	John	Jr	1	1	Lin	1787
81	Maxwell	Alexander		1		Fay	1787
81	Maxwell	Bazleel		1		Mont	1782
81	Maxwell	Elisha		1		Mont	1782
81	Maxwell	Elisha		1		Mont	1782
81	Maxwell	George		1		Loui	1782
81	Maxwell	Jams		1		Mont	1782

81	Maxwell	John	1		Berk	1782
81	Maxwell	John			Cul	1783
81	Maxwell	John	2	2	Fay	1787
81	Maxwell	John	2		Rock	1782
81	Maxwell	Thomas	2		Cul	1783
81	Maxwell	Thomas			Fay	1787
81	Maxwell	Thomas	1		Mont	1782
81	Maxwell	William			Fay	1787
81	Maxwell	William	2		Fay	1787
81	Maxwell	William	1		Mont	1782
81	Maxwell	William	1		Mont	1782
	McElwee	John			NONE	
86	Millar	Andrew	1	4	Lin	1787
86	Millar	John	1		Lin	1787
86	Miller	Abraham	1		Lin	1787
86	Miller	Eleanor			Lin	1787
86	Miller	George	2		Lin	1787
87	Miller	Jacob	1		Bed	1782
87	Miller	Jacob	1		Berk	1782
87	Miller	Jacob	1		Berk	1782
87	Miller	Jacob	1	2	Brun	1782
87	Miller	Jacob	2		CuI	1783

87	Miller	Jacob	2	3	Har	1786
87	Miller	Jacob	1		Har	1786
87	Miller	Jacob	1		Lou	1782
87	Miller	Jacob	2		Lou	1782
87	Miller	Jacob	Jr		Lou	1782
87	Miller	william	1	2	Lin	1787
88	Moore	Alexander	1	2	Lun	1782
88	Moore	Edward	1		Lin	1787
89	Moore	William	Jr	1	Lin	1787
	Morrison	William	Not listed			
111	Sellers	Frederick	1		Har	1786
112	Sellers	John	1		Cul	1783
111	Sellers	John			Har	1786
111	Sellers	John	1		K&Q	1782
111	Sellers	John	1		Lin	1787
111	Sellers	Joseph			Lin	1787
112	Sellers	Nathaniel	1		Henry	1782
111	Sellers	Nathaniel	3		Lin	1787
111	Sellers	Susanna			Har	1786
113	Shoemaker	Leonard			Bot	1784
113	Shoemaker	Solomon	1		Lin	1787
	Vawter	David	not			

		listed			
Vawter	Philemon	not listed			
Wallace	Michael	1	24	K Geo	1782

Now that I have a spreadsheet, I can manipulate the data to see if any of my FAN Club can help me figure out my CRAWFORD family.

Note: I used instructions on Antti K. Koskela’s blog to figure out how to get my Excel data into a blog post: [How to Copy-Paste a Table from Excel to WordPress without using Plug-Ins?](#)

War Memorial

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 11, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Today is Veteran's Day



In the past, I have honored my veteran ancestors with a special post.

- 2019 – Honoring the Veterans in My Family
- 2015 – Honoring the Veterans in My Family
- Revolutionary Ancestors

Today, I'm going to participate in the Honor Roll Project by transcribing the brass plate mounted in front of the Nemaha County Courthouse.



In Memory of the Persons who were killed in action from Nemaha County, Kansas

World War I

Anderson, Roy

Armstrong, David w.

Bell, Hilbert

Green, Robert G.

Gress, Joseph M

Healt, Arlington A.

Henry, Joseph

Horth, Harold

Jacobson, Clyde –???

Jones, Palmer

Largent, Harry

Levick, John W.

Markely, William N.

Masterson, Alva H.

McConell, Elmer

McDaniel, Everett

McDaniel, Guy

Meyer, John G.

Miller, Clyde C

Mills, Arthur L.

Moyer, Delbert M.

Nickodemus, Howard

Palmer, John

Rettele, Benedict H.

Root, Frank H.

Schumaker, Charles E.

Summers, william F.

Taylor, Earle W.

Thieme, Eitel F.

Second Column

World War II

Armstrong, Leroy

Allen, Ralph ???

Barrett, Lewis

Becker, Bernard

Bieri, George

Bieri, RIchard

Binder, Richard

Boeding, Joseph M

Boeding, Paul

Brown, Virgil

Dailey, John

Domer, Carol E.

Enneking, Joseph

Fund, Roy

Griffith, Robert

Guilford, William

Hunninghake, henry

Johnson, Joseph

Kellenberger, Galen

Kokenge, francis

Kohake, George

Long, Francis

Meyer, Earl

Moore, George

Nolte, Cyril

Rettele, Adrian

Rokey, Raymond

Schafer, Frank

Schultejans, Bernard

Third column

World War II

Shaw, Robert

Skinner, Haley

Smith, Jonas

Seringer, G. W. III

Strahm, Elgin

Tate, Moses

Wek, George

Welliver, Eldon

Winterscheidt, l.

Woltkamp, Raymond

Young, George

Korean War

Becker, Joseph

Reid, Patrick

Vietnam War

Luckert, Edward R.

Thompson, Cecil T.

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 12, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Courier Tribune

Monday, January 15, 1940

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News of Neighbors

Bern

Alvin Gugelman left Tuesday for San Diego, where he will take up his new duties in the navy.

Centralia

Grant Andrick who joined the navy two months ago and has been in training near Chicago was given a furlough for a visit home with his mother and other relatives. Grant will return Thursday and go to Norfolk Vt for continued training.

Courier Tribune

29 Jan 1940

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News of Neighbors

Centralia

Gerald Moore — grandson of Mrs. Elizabeth Dorman, has been here for a short visit with his

relatives. Gerald has completed one term of service in the Navy and is re-enlisting. He will go to San Diego when his vacation is over.

Courier Tribune

26 Feb 1940

“Bern”

Donald Croffoot, who enlisted in the navy Feb. 6, was transferred to the U.S. Naval Training Station at Great Lakes, Ill., for an eight-week training period prior to being transferred to a ship in the fleet or a navy trade school. Donald is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Croffoot.

Courier Tribune

11 March 1940

“Domer District”

Harold Wiseman, formerly of Domer district, is now stationed in South American waters. Since Harold, joined the navy he has had five promotions and is now second gunner and may soon be first gunner which means he will have supervision of all the guns of the ship. We are certainly proud of him.

Courier Tribune

25 March 1940

“Aviator Jesse Wilcox Located at Norfolk”

Jesse Wilcox, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Wilcox of Goff, aviator in the U.S. Navy, is now stationed at Norfolk, Va., after two months at the naval base in Cuba. His parents enjoyed a holiday trip of 11 day to California and went through the ship Jesse flew to Cuba. Mrs. Jesse Wilcox is with her parents at Mullinville, but they hope to be located back in Sand Diego in the spring. Goff Advance.

Corning Gazette

28 March 1940

“Centralia News”

George long has joined the Navy.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 13, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night

Time for More Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

A) Do you have a favorite photograph of your father?

I'm going to share a couple of my favorite photos of my dad, Eugene David Crawford. My favorite photo was taken in my dad's classroom at Dodge City Junior College.



Another favorite was taken during one of the saddest times in my dad's life while he was making sure I wasn't aware of all of the sadness. On Dec. 23, 1953, my mother went into early labor and delivered twins. One of those twins, Duane Gail, died on Dec. 24. On Christmas morning, my dad was celebrating Christmas with me while mom was still hospitalized.



See the post, Eugene David Crawford, for more details about his life.

Sellers Land

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 14, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, PREBLE COUNTY, SELLERS

As I've been reviewing the William Sellers family in my tree, there are two deeds that connect William Sellers to my Crawford family research.

Based on my Kentucky research, I believe William Sellers wife, Sarah Crawford, is a sister to James Crawford, husband of Martha Knight. (See [Sellers Mystery](#)). However, William Sellers was a tenant in common with James Crawford, husband of Sally Smith Duggins.

Thus, when William Sellers purchases land from both James Crawford men, figuring out the relationship is even more complicated.

On 11 Dec 1821, William Sellers purchased the East 1/2 of the Northwest quarter of section 14, township 7 in range 2 from James and Sally Crawford.

”

James Crawford Junr Deed to Wm Sellers recorded 3 Jan 1822

This indenture made the eleventh day of December

in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twen

ty one between James Crawford Junr of the county of Preble of

the one part and William Sellers of said county of the other

part witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and in cons

ideration of the sum of three hundred dollars to the said

James Crawford in hand paid the receipt of which is here

by acknowledge has granted bargained aliened conveyed and con

firmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien con

vey and confirm unto the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns

*forever all the following described lot tract or parcel of
land lying in the county of Preble and State of Ohio
being the East half of the Northwest quarter of section
No 14 in township no seven of range two east
of the meridian line*

*To have and to hold the said granted and bargained premeses
with all the privileges and appurtenance to the same belonging or in
in any wise appertaining to the only proper use benefit and behoof
of the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns and the said James
Crawford for himself his heirs executors and administrators do hereby
covenant promise and grant to and with the said William Sellers his heirs
and assigns that before the unsealing hereof he the said James
Crawford was the true sold and lawful owner of the above bargained
premeses and was lawfully seized and possessed of the same
in his own right as a good perfect and absolute estate of inheri
tance in fee simple and had in himself good right full
power and lawful authority to grant bargain sell convey and con
firm the said bargained premeses in the manner aforesaid
And that the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns
shall and may from time to time and at all times for
ever hereafter by force and virtue of these presents
lawfully peaceable and quietly have hold use occupy possess and enjoy
the said demised and bargained premeses with the appurtenances fee
and clear and freely and clearly acquitted exonerated and discharged
of and from all and all manner of former or other gifts grants
bargains sales or incumberances of what name or nature soever
that might in any measure or degree obstruct or make void
this present deed*

*Furthermore the said James Crawford for himself his heirs executors
and administrators doth covenant and engage the above demised
premises to him the said William Sellers his heirs and assigns against
the lawful claims of any person or persons whatsoever. Forever
hereafter to warrant secure and defend by these presents
In testimony whereof the said James Crawford and Sally his*

wife have hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above written.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Nathan D Sellers

Isaac Stephens

Signed by

James Crawford (Seal)

Sally (her mark) Crawford (seal)

The State of Ohio Preble County

Before me the undersigned a justice of the peace

in and for the said county came personally James Crawford and Sally

Crawford wife of the said James Crawford the within named grantors she

being examined separate and apart from her said husband they

acknowled

ged the within deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed

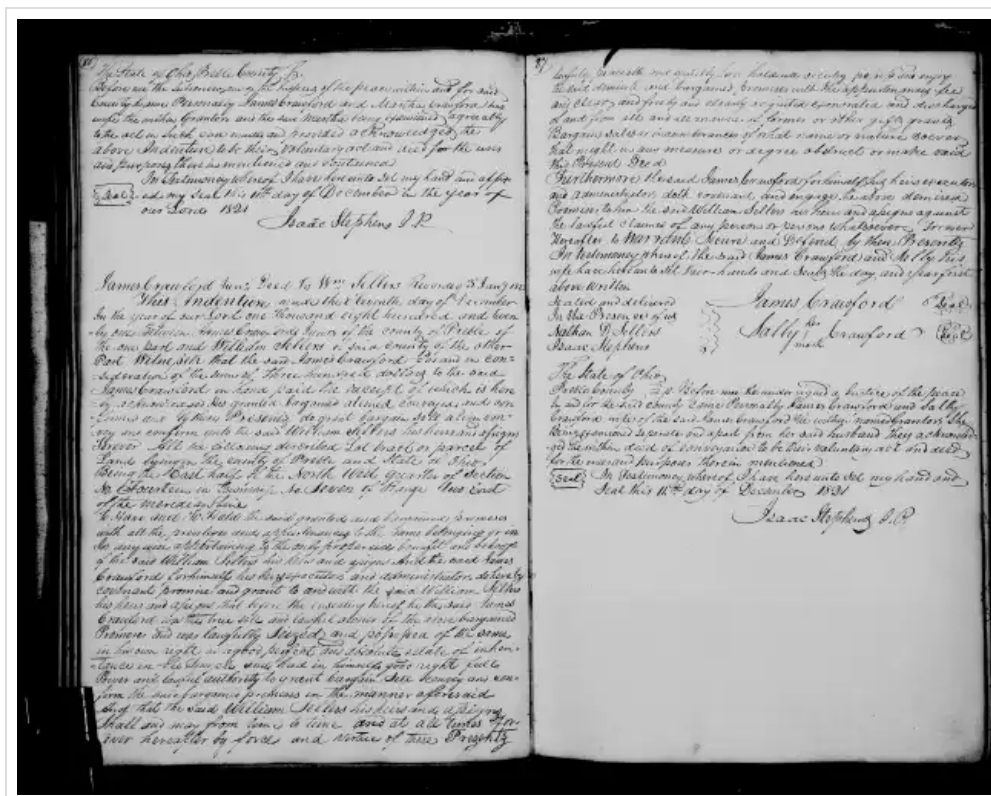
for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and

seal this 11th da of December 1821

Isaac Stephens, J.P.

OHIO, PREBLE. DEEDS, 1819-1824. JAMES CRAWFORD, 11 DEC 1821; 5: 86-87; DIGITAL IMAGES, FAMILY SEARCH [HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED ONLINE JUNE 2018.



On the same day, William Sellers purchased the northwest corner of the southwest quarter of section 14 township 7 range 2 from James and Martha Crawford.

”

James Crawford to Wm Sellers Deed Recorded 3 January 1822

This Indenture made the Eleventh day of December

In the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one

Between James Crawford of the county of Preble and State of Ohio

of the one part and William Sellers of the county and State aforesaid

of the other part Witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and

in consideration of the sum of eighty dollars lawful money of

the United States to him in hand well and truly paid by the said

William Sellers the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has grant

ted bargained sold conveyed and confirmed and by these presen

ts doth grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto the said

William Sellers his heirs and assigns forever all and singu

lar the following tract or parcel of land It being a part of the

South West quarter of section No. Fourteen Township No.

Seven of Range two East in Preble county and begin

ning at the North west corner of said quarter and running thence East five degrees north 147 poles to a stone on the side of the hill thence south 20 degrees west 64 poles to a stone thence west four degrees south 119 poles to a walnut thence north 5 degrees west 49 poles tot he place of Beginning containing forty acres more or less And all the Estate right title interest claim and demand of the said James Crawford of in and to the said premises hereby granted and every part thereof Together with all and singular the rights members privileges and appurtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining and the rents Issues and profits thereof To have and to hold the premises aforesaid hereby bargained and sold or ment or intended so to be with the appurtenances to the only proper use and behoof of the said William Sellers his heirs executors and administrators doth covenant grant and agree to and with the said William Sellers his heirs executors administrators and assigns that he was the true and lawful owner of the premises hereby granted and had good right full power and lawful authority to sell and convey the same in manner and form aforesaid And further that the said James Crawford his heirs executors and administrators will warrant and forever defend the aforesaid premises with their appurtenances and every part and parcel thereof unto the said William Sellers his heir and assigns against all persons claiming or to claim by from or under them or any of them or by from or under any other person or persons whomsoever In witness whereof the said James Crawford and Martha hi wife has hereunto set their hands and affixed their seals the day and year first above written.

James Crawford (seal)

Martha (her mark) Crawford (seal)

Isaac Stephens

James Sumers

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The State of Ohio Preble County

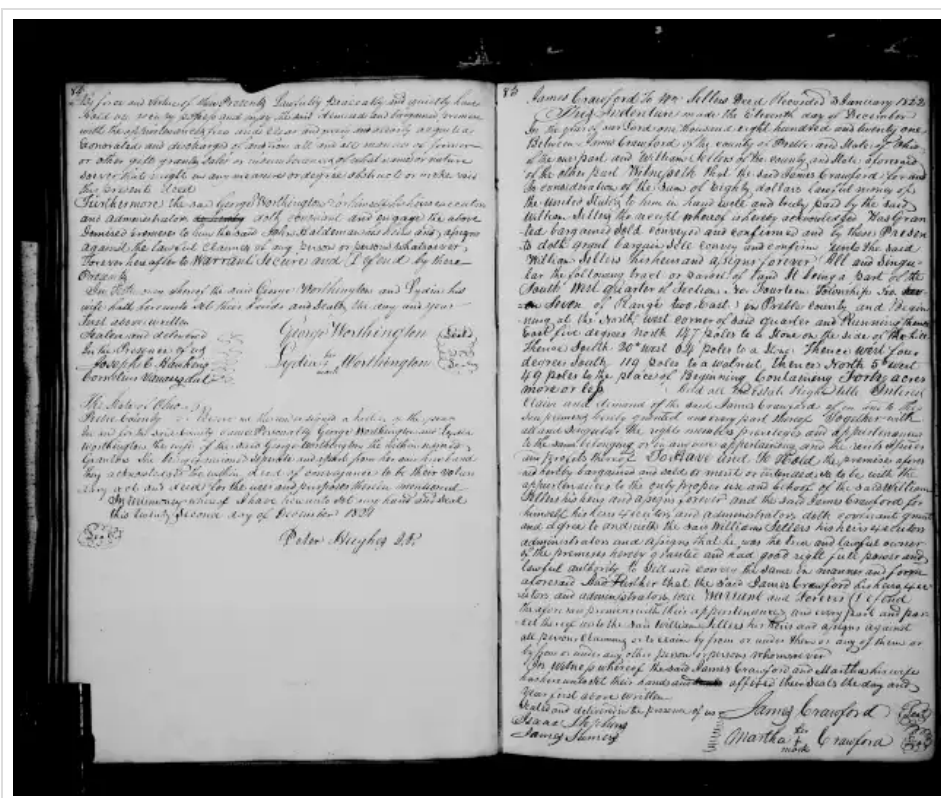
Before me the subscribers one of the Justices of the peace within and for said

County came personally James Crawford and Martha Crawford his wife the within Grantors and the said Martha being examined agreeably to the act in such case made and provided acknowledged the above Indenture to be their voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein mentioned and contained

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 11th day of December in the year of our Lord 1821

Isaac Stephens JP

OHIO, PREBLE COUNTY. DEEDS, 1805-1963. FILM #8151054. JAMES CRAWFORD, 11 DEC 1821; VOL. 5: PAGE 85; DIGITAL IMAGE, FAMILY SEARCH
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Complicated Deed

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 15, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, PREBLE COUNTY, SELLERS

As I'm researching the William Sellers family, I'm trying to figure out how his wife, Sarah Crawford, is related to my CRAWFORD research. While I've yet to come across anything that helps solve that mystery, the deed where William Sellers sells his Preble county land is not only complicated but names both of my James Crawford men.

For background on these various families, see the following posts:

- Untangling James Crawford
- Sellers Mystery
- Tenants in Common
- James Crawford Land in Preble County Ohio
- Sellers Land

So, in 1843, William Sellers and his wife, Sarah, sell land being part of the southwest and northwest quarters of section 14 township 7 range 2 to John Acton.



Sellers to Acton present & Record d the 9th & Record 11 Sept 1843

Know all men by these presents that William Sellers of the county of Preble and State of Ohio for and in consideration of the sum of twelve hundred dollars to him in hand paid by John P. Acton of the same place has bargained and sold and does hereby grant bargain sell and convey unto the said John P. Acton his heirs and assigns forever the following premises situate and being in the county of Preble and state

of Ohio and bounded and discribed as follows that is to say Being part of the South West and North West quarters of section No 14 fourteen in township No 7 seven and Range two East and Beginning at the north west corner of the said South West quarter which is a cross + on a Boulder witness the center of the letter W on a boulder S $53\frac{1}{2}$ W 47 links and a + on a line S $24\frac{2}{3}$ links thence S $1\frac{1}{4}$ W 50 poles and 1 link to a + on a boulder witness the center of the letter W on a sand stone N $11\frac{1}{2}$ E $42\frac{1}{2}$ links and a Black Walnut tree 18 inches diameter S $87\frac{3}{4}$ E 19 links thence S $87\frac{1}{2}$ E 119 poles and 5 links to a + on a lime stone witness the center of the letter W on a boulder N $57\frac{1}{4}$ W $18\frac{2}{3}$ links on the center of the letter W on the W side of a boulder N $76\frac{1}{3}$ E 16 links thence N $26\frac{1}{2}$ E 63 poles and 9 links to the center of + on a boulder on the hill side Witness the center of the letter W on a boulder N 31 E 19 links thence N $89\frac{1}{2}$ E 13 poles to a + on a boulder at the foot of the hill witness the center of the letter W on a boulder N 33 W 59 links and the center of the letter W on the E side of a boulder S $5\frac{3}{4}$ W $43\frac{2}{3}$ links thence N $1\frac{1}{3}$ E 95 poles and 10 links along the N and S middle line of the section to a point at common water mark on the South side of the creek and 62 poles form the North line of the section thence along South South west and west side of the creek at common water mark 95 poles and 21 links to a point on the N. line of the Section and 63 poles $10\frac{1}{2}$ links W of the NE corner of the West half of the section thence S $89\frac{3}{4}$ W 16 poles 20 links to a notch on the SW die of a Beech tree 12 inches diameter near the roots witness a + on the W side of a crackley boulder S $33\frac{1}{2}$ E 64 links thence S $1\frac{1}{4}$ W 157 poles and 15 links through the center of the North West quarter North and South to a + on a boulder on the E and W middle line of the section witness the center of the letter W on a boulder S 10 E $43\frac{1}{2}$ links thence S $89\frac{1}{2}$ W 80 poles to the place of beginning contain
ing 96 Ninety six acres of land be the same

more or less and being the same lands which was conveyed to the said William Sellers by James Crawford Senr Esqr and James Crawford Jun by their deeds dated Dec the 11th 1821 and Recorded in Book No. 5 pages 85-86 and 87 or Preble

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county land records and also by a patent from the United States dated the first day of June AD 1816 conveying the said North West quarter of said Sec. No 14 to the said James Crawford Junr and the said William Sellers as tenants in common and not as joint tenants

To have and to hold said premises with the appurtenances unto the said John P Acton his heirs and assigns forever and the said William Sellers for himself and heirs do hereby covenant with said John P Acton his heirs and assigns that he is lawfully seized of the premises aforesaid and that the premises and free and clear from all incumbrances whatever and that he will forever warrant and defend the same with the appurtenances unto the said John P Acton his heirs and assigns against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever

In testimonies whereof the said William Sellers and Sarah Sellers his wife who hereby relinquishes her right of dower in the hereby conveyed premises have hereunto set their hands and seals this ninth day of September in the year AD 1843

William Sellers (his mark) (seal)

Sarah Sellers (her mark) (seal)

*Signed sealed and acknowledged
in presence of us*

R S Cunningham

I Stephens

The state of Ohio Preble County

Before me Isaac Stephens a Justice of the Peace in and for

said county personally appeared the above named William Sellers and Sarah his wife and acknowledged the above and foregoing deed of conveyance to be their voluntary act and deed and the said Sarah being at the same time examined by me separate and apart from her said husband and the contents of said instrument made know to her by me she then declared that she did voluntarily sign seal and acknowledged the same and that she is still satisfied therewith
This 9th day of September AD 1843
I Stephens JP

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The next page of deed book 33 includes a transcription of the original patent as tenants in common for William Sellers and James Crawford.



Patent to Crawford & Sellers presentd & Recordd the 11th Sept 1843

*James Madison President of the United States
of America*

To all to whom these presents shall come Greeting
Know ye, that William Sellers assignee of George Harlan
and James Crawford in his won right having deposited in
the General Land Office a Certificate of the Register of
the Land Office at Cincinnati whereby it appears that
full payment has been made for the North West
quarter of section fourteen in township seven in
range two lying East of the meridian line of the
lands directed to be sold at Cincinnati by the act of
Congress entitled “an act providing for the sale of

*the Lands of the United States in the Territory North
West of he Ohio and above the mouth of Kentucky River
and of the acts amendatory of the same There is granted
by the United States unto the said William Sellers and
James Crawford the quarter lot or section of land
above described to have and to hold the said
quarter lot or section of land with the appurtenances unto
the said William Sellers and James Crawford their heirs
and assigns forever as tenants in common and not as joint
tenants*

*In testimony whereof I have caused these Letters to
be made patent and the seal of the General Land
Office to be hereunto affixed Given under my hand
at the City of Washington the first day of June in the
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixteen
and of the Independence of the United States of Ameri
ca the fortieth*

James Madison

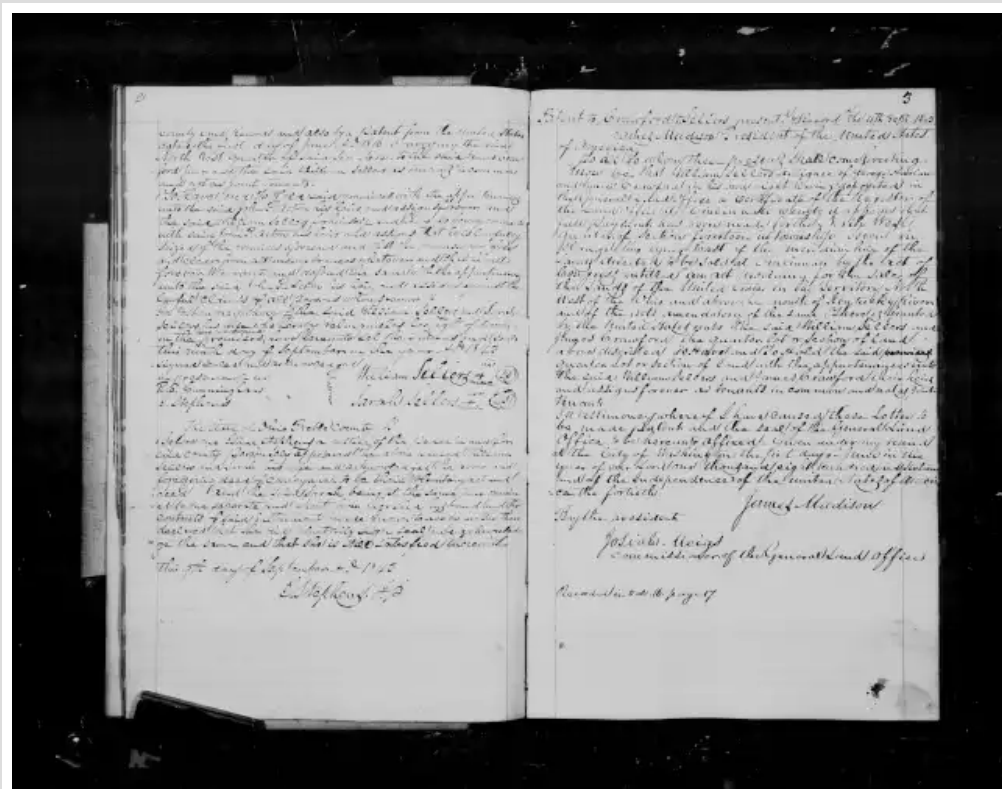
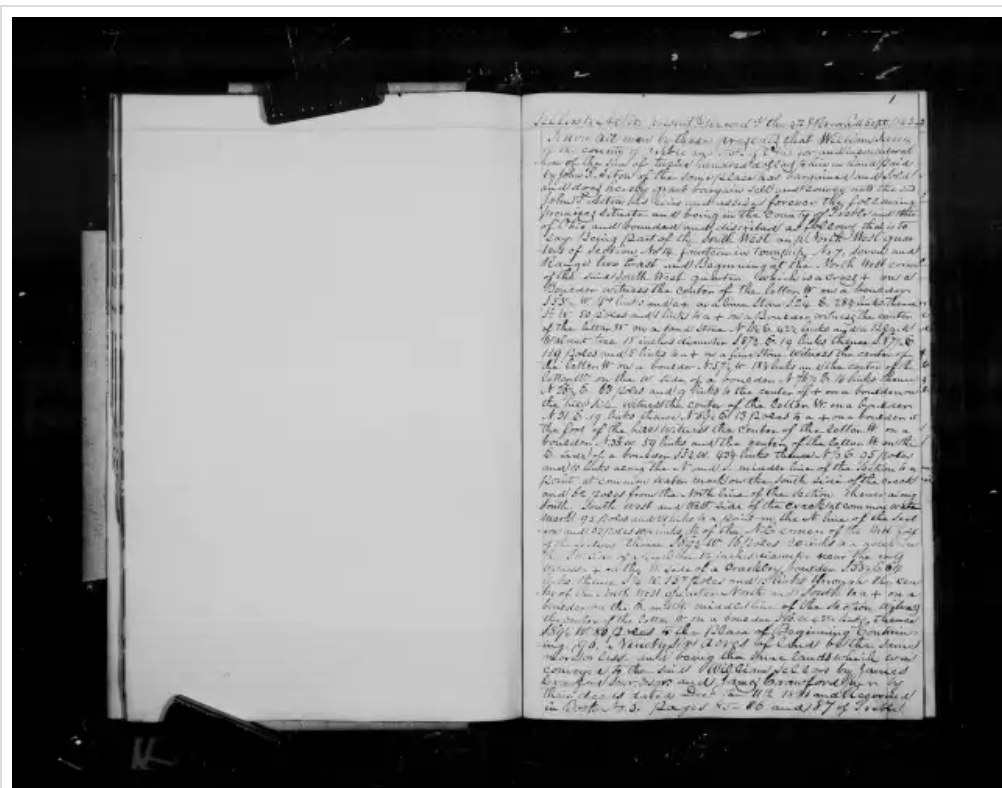
By The President

Josiah

Meigs

Commissioner of the General Land Office

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William Sellers Will

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 16, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: PREBLE COUNTY, SELLERS

In 1848, the Court of Common Pleas of Preble County, Ohio approved the will of William Sellers.

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William Sellers Will

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The State of Ohio Preble County

Be it remembered that heretofore to wit at the March term of the Court of Common Pleas within and for the county and State aforesaid to wit on the Seventeenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty eight. The last will and testament of William Sellers, late of this county decd was this day brought before the court and proved by the oaths of Eli Campbell & Huffman the witnesses thereto whose examinations were reduced to writing in the words an letters following to wit The State of Ohio, Preble County ss Court of Common Pleas of the term of March AD 1848. Personally appeared in open court Eli Campbell and Armstead Huffman of l awful age, who being duly sworn depose and say that the paper writing now exhibited in Court is the last will and

testament of William Sellers

late of Preble County deceased that they saw him sign and heard him acknowledge the same

that they signed the same as witnesses in his presence and at his request and at the time of executing

the same, he was of full age of sound mind and memory and not under any restraint. Eli

Campbel Armstead Huffman sworn and subscribed to in open Court March 17th 1848 R. S.

Cunningham Clk and it appearing to the satisfaction of the court that the said William

Sellers, at the time of executing said will was of full age, of sound mind and memory and not

under any restraint. It was ordered that said will and proof be reduced to writing be recorded. And

thereupon on motion to the Court by Job Jefferson the executor in said will named by Haines his

Counsel, It was ordered that letters testimony be granted him upon the estate of the said William

Sellers decd who thereupon gave bond with Havey H. Wilson & Peter Bata security be the acceptance

of the Court in the penalty of fifteen hundred dollars conditioned according to law whereupon

the court appoint Eli Campbell, Armstead Huffman & Jacob Shidelen to appraise the persona

property of said estate. Sarah Sellers widow of the said William Sellers, appeared in open court

and elected to take under the provisions of her deceased husband's will in lieu of dower Said will

is in the words and figures following to wit "In the name of God Amen, I William Sellers of Preble

County & State of Ohio, being of lawful age & under to restraint do make this my last will & testament

As follows. to wit: First I give my soul to God who gave it me & my body. I

*recommend to the dust
from whence it was taken hoping it may be raised again in the general
resurrection & be made like
unto the glorious body of Christ & as for such worldly property as it hat
pleased Go to bless me
with in this life I give dispose of as follows: Item 1st I give and bequeath to
my well beloved wife Sarah
Sellers the use of all my property whether real or personal during her
natural life & at her death my
will is that all of the estate not consumed & made way with Shall then be
divided equally among
between my six children. Namely Nathan D. Sellers, Nancy Sellers, John
H. Sellers, Polly Jefferson
Margaret Wilson & Celia Amanda West Item 2nd I give & bequeath to my
daughter Celia Amanda
West the sum of one hundred & sixty two dollars & fifty cents. it being the
amount for which I now
hold a note of against her husband for. to wit William H. west and as my
said wife
should live to need a part or all of it I do hereby authorise constitute &
appoint Job Jefferson
to be the Executor of this my last will & testament. In testimony whereof I
have hereunto set
my hand & seal this 10th day of Feby 1845
William (his mark) Sellers (seal)
Signed sealed & acknowledged by the said William Sellers as his last will
& testament
In our presence & hearing who signed it as witnesses in his presence & at
his request
Eli Campbell, Armstead Huffman*

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1814 Preble County Voters

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 17, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, PREBLE COUNTY, SELLERS

While going back thru my notes for William Sellers, I re-looked at the book, History of Preble County, Ohio: with Illustrations and Biographical Sketches. That's when I found (or re-found) list of voters from 1814 that includes several people on my FAN club list, including TWO men named James Crawford.

” *The number of voters at the first election in Washington township is not recorded, but the poll book of the election of 1814 if given, and it may be a matter of interest to some readers to know who and how many were the electors at that time in the township, or at least how many cast votes. just forty votes were cast this year, and the names which appear upon the record are the following:*

Thomas Ramsey

George Hardy

Alexander Mitchell

John Day

Richard Leeson

John Stevens

Andrew Frick

*Abner **Dooley***

*Nathan **Sellers***

James Crawford

Robert Rhea

*Moses **Dooley***

Elisha Sutton

David Stevens

George Crous

*George **Maxwell***

James White

William Custer

Phillip Largue

Thomas Harris

James C. McCamey

Walter Buell

Charles Hand

Daniel Washam

John Spacht

William Crane

*William **Sellers***

Alexander C. Lanier

James Crawford

Daniel McCoy

William Salle

James Cuttler

John Hawkins

Jonathan Lyons

Samuel Ward

Jonathan Deniston

John Ward

**HISTORY OF PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO: WITH ILLUSTRATIONS AND BIOGRAPHICAL
SKETCHES (N.P.: H. Z. WILLIAMS & BRO., PUBLISHERS, 1881), PAGE 135; DIGITAL
IMAGES, ARCHIVE.ORG, [HTTP://WWW.ARCHIVE.ORG](http://www.archive.org) VIEWED ONLINE 7 NOVEMBER
2022.**

This list of 1814 voters was followed by information about the early settlement of Washington township in Preble County, Ohio. This information places several members of my Crawford FAN club in Preble county around 1806.



Early Settlement of Washington Township

The first settlement in what is now Washington township was made in the year 1805. Several entries of land were made the year previous, but no permanent settlements were made until that year. In 1804 there were no buildings standing within the limits of the township. Entries had been made, but the owners of these had not yet arrived. In 1805 several settlers arrived and proceeded to erect cabins.

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In the following year, 1806, as many as twenty cabins were built in different parts of the township. Several entries had been made in the year previous, and their owners came in 1806. A few of those whose names can be ascertained are given below.

George and Andrew Dooley emigrated from Kentucky in 1806, and came to Ohio. George entered land in section eight, of township seven.

Joseph, William and Nathan Sellers, Kentuckians settled either in section nine or ten, of township seven.

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Henry Duggins was born in 1787, and in 1806 he moved to Ohio. In 1811 he married Jane Sellers, born in 1781. He first settled in Gasper township, and afterwards came to Washington township, where he settled in 1811, the same year as his marriage. His brother, William A., came to Ohio in the same year that he did. Mr. Henry Duggins had six children —

Cornelius V., John F., Nathan, William, W. P. and Caroline (Miller), who lives in Eaton. The first four of these are deceased. Cornelius V. was born in Preble county in 1812. In 1834 he married Elizabeth daughter of Henry M. Monfort of Eaton, born in 1814. Five children were born to them, four of whom are still living. Mr. Duggins died in 1849 on the old homestead where his wife now resides. He left a farm of one hundred and sixteen acres. During his lifetime he had a printing office in Eaton, where the Register office is now located. His son, John F., was in the war, in the Seventy-fifth Ohio volunteer infantry, and while in Florida was taken prisoner and sent to Andersonville, where he stayed for six months. W. P.

Duggins was born in 1820, and in 1844 married Mary, daughter of Alexander Lugar, born about 1826. He has nine children. His farm contains about sixty-five acres.

Benjamin Neal and wife, Mary (Sellers) cam from Bourbon county, Kentucky, to this township in the year 1806, and settled in section two of township seven. After residing here for a few years, he moved to New Lexington where he died in the year 1818. His wife survived him for more than forty years, dying in 1858 at the age of eighty-seven. They had four children born tot hem in Kentucky, vix: Sarah, Nathan, James and Jane. Of these only Nathan and James survive. After

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their arrival in this county, their family further was increased by the births of Benjamin, John and Mary Ann. Benjamin married Ann Kerlin, now living. He has been associate judge, and has held the office of postmaster at Eaton since the year 1871

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Elder James Neal

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 18, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: PREBLE COUNTY, SELLERS

Do you ever come across information that seems to contradict other information you have found? That's the case when I compare the biography of Elder James Neal of Preble County, Ohio with the John Crawford Sellers biography?

According to the NEAL biography, Mary Sellers was born in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in 1776. On contrast, the John Crawford Sellers biography indicates the Sellers family was in Virginia prior to their living in Kentucky.

following the trails of Daniel Boone and other Indiana warriors from Virginia into Kentucky,

While further proof is needed, it is possible that both statements are true.

- The Sellers family may have been in Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania before migrating south thru Virginia to take the Cumberland Gap into Kentucky.
- Since the area of Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania was also considered Augusta County, Virginia in 1776, it is possible that the SELLERS family never lived in Virginia.

It is also possible that one of the statements is incorrect. Until I have further information, I plan to use the hints from both biographies.

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ELDER JAMES NEAL

was born in Franklin county, Kentucky, May 7, 1808. His paternal great-grandfather emigrated from England, and his maternal ancestors came from Ireland. His grandfather, John Neal, settled in Kentucky at a very

early day. His father, Benjamin Neal, one of seven children, was born in Kentucky in 1777. He grew up as farmer boy, and when quite young, was married in Kentucky, to Mary Sellers, the daughter of Nathan and Sarah Sellers. She was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, May 3, 1776. The young couple lived first in Bourbon, and then in Franklin county, Kentucky, and raised seven of their nine children. Sarah married William Duggins, and both are dead. Nathan is in Fountain county, Indiana. James was the next child. Jane, wife of Levi Fleming, is dead. Benjamin and John are in Eaton, as is also Mary A., the wife of George Wagoner.

When James was in his fourth year, in the fall of 1811, his parents, in company with his mother's parents, emigrated to Preble county, where old Mr. Sellers entered land two and a half miles south of Eaton. Forty acres of this land were occupied by the Neal family. At the time of their emigration the journey was made by wagon, and was long and tedious. During two months after their arrival they lived in an open faced pole shanty. They moved into their round log cabin ere the puncheon floor had been laid. The chimney was of the "cat and clay" style, and the back wall and jams of the huge fire-place were of clay.

Mr. Sellers built an Indian proof block house, with bullet proof walls pierced by port holes at convenient distances apart. The predatory warfare of the Indians frequently caused the settlers to transfer their families to the block-house.

Mr. Neal well remembers how, one night, during an Indian alarm, he and his playmates were hastily concealed in the clay pit whence the material for the chimney had been taken. Happily the alarm was false, and the scared little prisoners were soon liberated.

Mr. Neal's father was exempted from the War of 1812, on account of ill health.

Mr. Neal was early inured to pioneer hardships. Schools were few and far between. He attended for a time a school on Rocky fork, having to blaze his path through the woods in order to find the way home.

His father, after clearing and improving much of his land and living on it for ten or twelve years, sold it, and bought a lot, and built a house in New

Lexington.

Mr. Neal removed with his father and worked on breaking bark in Nisbit's tannery. After the death of his father in 1822, the family removed to a farm just northeast of Eaton. James' oldest brother leaving home to learn a trade, left him with the management of the farm. Soon after this they moved into a hewed log house on Barron street, in Eaton. For two years Mr. Neal supported the family by day's labor. Then his mother married Thomas Fleming, who took the family first to Darke county, and finally settled about three and a half miles south of Eaton. At this time Mr. Neal learned the blacksmith trade on the farm of George Leas, on the Camden pike. He finished his apprenticeship with Daniel Mack, of Somerville.

While in Somerville, June 7, 1827, he married Ruth, the daughter of Courtland and Susan Lambert, native Kentuckians, who settled near Friendship church, near which Mr. Lambert had a little grist-mill. Their daughter was born in Kentucky, September 1, 1808.

Soon after Mr. Neal's marriage he started in the blacksmith business on the south line of Dixon township, cooking in an old log schoolhouse, and living in the adjoining house erected for the use of the school-master. After two years removing to Vermillion county, Illinois, near Danville, the county seat, he remained there two years and twenty days, working at his trade and farming. Compelled by sickness and misfortune to return to Ohio, he found a home on Paint creek, on the southeast corner of Silas Dooley's farm, where he built first a log shop and afterwards one of brick. While living here an incident occurred which illustrates the pluck and indomitable perseverance which has always characterized the actions of Mr. Neal. Having had ten cords of wood cut for conversion into charcoal, he dug a pit in the frozen ground from which to obtain the earth to throw over the wood before setting it on fire. So hard was the frozen ground that it had to be quarried in great chunks. After the wood had been fired, Mr. Neal remained for five days and nights without rest or sleep. At one time the fire penetrated the earth covering, and Mr. Neal in his anxiety to repair the breach, fell into the fire, which almost swallowed him up ere he could escape.

During all the time that he was attending to this work the weather

was intensely cold, and Silas Dooley was accustomed to come over every morning to see if his friend had survived the bitterness of the night. After remaining on Paint creek for five years he removed to a farm of one hundred acres in Jackson township, on the Indiana line. After remaining there seventeen years he removed to Eaton, in the property on Cherry street, opposite Fulton's blacksmith shop. In 1854 he removed to his present farm of one hundred and thirty acres, three miles east of Eaton, on the Dayton pike. When he first moved to this place only about thirty acres were cleared, and there were no improvements. At first he lived in a deserted frame school-house, which had been removed to the farm. The present house and barn were erected in 1855, the building of which was personally superintended by himself. This farm is now considered to be one of the best improved in the neighborhood.

Mr. and Mrs. Neal have nine children, seven of whom lived to years of maturity, six of whom survive. Benjamin died in infancy. Mary Ann, who was born in Illinois, where she now lives, is the wife of Jacob Johnson. Sarah is the wife of Aaron Brandon, of Illinois. Susannah died in Eaton in 1853, aged twenty-one years. John lives in Eaton. (Johannah, the namesake of old Mrs. Dooley, died in infancy. Nathan W. and Elizabeth J., the wife of John Kitson, lives in Illinois. William C. anti family live on the home place.

Mr. Neal's domestic life was saddened by the almost life-long derangement of his wife, whom he faithfully cared for until death released her, April 6, 1879.

Were the above the life history of Mr. Neal it would be creditable in itself, but a second and more important chapter remains.

In the year 1832, while living in Illinois, he was converted to Christianity, and joined the Christian church. Immediately after his conversion, feeling constrained to speak in public, he became an exhorter, much against his natural inclinations. After removing to Ohio he continued public speaking, and in 1834 attended conference as a licentiate. While attending conference at Bethel chapel, Warren county, he consented to become a regular minister, "and in 1835 was installed, and ordained pastor of the Paint church, by Elders David Purviance and Nathan Worley. During his

twelve years pastorate at Paint he received but fifty-eight dollars cash for salary. For one year, being too poor to own a horse, he walked to and from his appointment, a distance of twelve miles, through all kinds of weather. He reorganized the Bank Spring church, and was pastor for eighteen years. Organizing the churches at West Florence and Union Chapel, he served the former seven years and a half in all, and the latter seventeen years. He preached one year in Eaton, and after 1854 was pastor of the Bethlehem church for twenty years. He preached in all five years at Phillipsburgh, Montgomery county. Not long ago he reorganized the New Westville church.

Above are noted the mile-stones in a faithful minister's life. During the forty-five years of Elder Neal's ministry he has received not less than one thousand members into the church, baptized eight hundred, preached eight hundred funeral sermons, and married seven hundred couples. His salary has averaged less than twenty-five dollars per annum. Pioneer preachers worked literally on the apostolic plan.

Next to the Purviances Elder Neal was the pioneer representative of his church in Preble county. To-day he alone is a living monument of the early ministry. Taking into consideration the vicissitudes of his life, his success is wonderful. Being well read in the Scriptures he never lacked the material, and only needed the art of discourse. In a series of twenty-four lessons in Greenleaf's grammar he obtained mastery over the English language, and many a night he studied by the light of a bark torch, doing all this after beginning to preach.

Mr. Neal always speaks extemporaneously. In years gone by no man had a better voice for singing than he. Today, though approaching four score years, he is as able to preach now as ever, and expects to die in the harness.

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Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 19, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Swiss Army

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January 1, 1940

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His Brother in Swiss Army

Emil Paul, who is employed at Moser Brothers, received a letter from his mother in Switzerland, saying his half brother is in the Swiss army and another half brother will also be in the army. Mr. Paul says the boys spend two months in the army and then are given two weeks in which they can spend in their homes. Mr. Paul says if he was in Switzerland he would be in the army.

His Brother In Swiss Army.

Emil Paul, who is employed at Moser Brothers, received a letter from his mother in Switzerland, saying his half brother is in the Swiss army and another half brother will soon be 19 years of age and will also be in the army. Mr. Paul says the boys spend two months in the army and then are given two weeks in which they can spend in their homes. Mr. Paul says if he was in Switzerland he would be in the army.

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 20, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

Time for Some More

Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

A) What is one of your most vivid childhood memories? Was it family, friends, places, events, or just plain fun? Your first memory? Your most fun memory?

Memories – are they memories of the event or memories of the family films and photographs? That's a hard question for me to answer since we watched those family movies over and over.

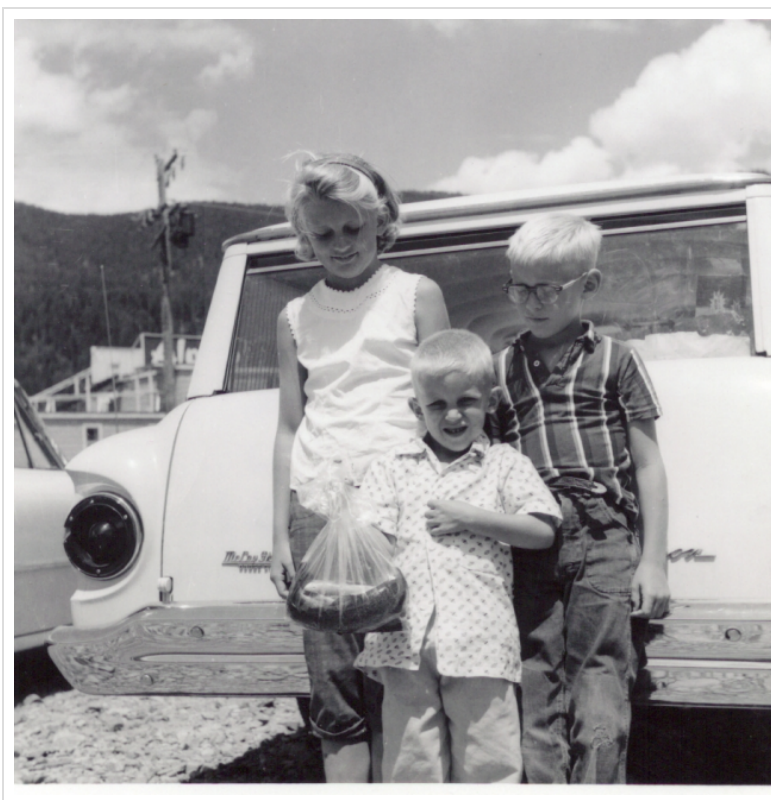
My earliest memory that is not from one of those movies is of our home in Kansas City when I was 3-4 years old. These memories are just flashes and not backed up by any family photos. My father was a teacher at Washington High School in Wyandotte County, Kansas. My memory is of a small house on a property that had a corral where they broke horses. Other memories of this time period involve my brother (18 months younger) and I sharing a room and the walls being stucco or cement.

Another memory from a couple of years later is of my brother and I playing out in the snow with our neighbor in Dodge City. While playing, we watched a helicopter fly over with what was likely hay bales hanging from the copter. I also remember talking about the helicopter over the evening meal when my dad explained they were taking food to the cattle because their normal food was covered in snow.

Another memory from the same time period is of getting my tonsils out. I remember the ether mask coming down over my face and scaring me. The next day, mom served bierocks for supper. Since my throat was still sore, I couldn't eat them. When I asked my mom about this, she said that she thought we could eat whatever since we had been jumping on the bed all day long. Unfortunately, my only memories of this time are of the mask and of not being able to eat. To this day, I don't like bierocks.

When it comes to fun memories, I have a lot from my Dodge City days. There were five families with children about the age of me and my brothers in the neighborhood: Lee, Keeley, Edminston, Sayre and us. Summer time found us outside playing all over the neighborhood. Other fun memories involve going to the pool almost every day at 5 pm to swim.

And then there were the vacations. Living in Dodge City, we often went to the mountains for our vacation. One of those vacations was to the mountains around Taos, New Mexico. During that trip we went to a 'fish farm' where my brothers and I were allowed to 'go fishing' The trout were biting our lines so fast, that I had caught two fish in the time it took to get my brother's poles in the water. Thus, my parents had 4 fish to pay for instead of 3.



William Sellers Family

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1. **William David Sellers** was born on 2 Jul 1771 in Cumberland, Pennsylvania, United States.¹⁻² He witnessed the marriage of James Sellers and Mary Crawford on 19 Dec 1791 in Lincoln County, Kentucky.³⁻⁸ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1792 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.⁹ William was listed on the tax rolls in 1794 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.¹⁰ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1795 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.¹¹ He was listed on the tax rolls in 1796 in Lincoln, Kentucky, United States.¹² William lived in Garrard, Kentucky, United States in 1800.¹³ He was an early pioneer about 1810 in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States.¹⁴ He filed land entry papers on 1 Jun 1816 in Preble County, Ohio.¹⁵⁻¹⁶ William lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1820.¹⁷ He purchased land being the NW corner of the SW 1/4 of Section 14, township 7, range 2 comprising 40 acres from James and Martha Crawford for \$80 on 11 Dec 1821 in Preble County, Ohio.¹⁸ He purchased land being the E 1/2 of the NW 1/4 Section 14 township 7, range 2 from James and Sally Crawford for \$300 on 11 Dec 1821 in Preble County, Ohio.¹⁹ William sold land being the W half of the NW quarter of Section Number 14 in Township 7 Range 2 East on 11 Dec 1821 in Preble County, Ohio.²⁰ He sold land being part NW 1/4 S14 T7 R2E containing 15 acres to Ortitis Roberts for \$200 on 21 Jan 1830 in Preble County, Ohio.²¹ He lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio on 1 Jul 1830.²² William sold land being part SW and NW 1/4 S14 T7R2E containing 96 acres being same land conveyed to grantor by James Crawford Senr Esqr. and James Crawford Jun by their deeds dated Dec 11 1821 to John P. Acton for \$1200 on 9 Sep 1843 in Preble County, Ohio.²³ He signed a will on 10 Feb 1845 in Preble, Ohio, United States.²⁴ He died on 13 Jan 1848 at the age of 76 in Ohio, United States.¹⁻² William had his estate probated on 17 Mar 1848 in Preble, Ohio, United States.²⁵ He was buried in Preble County, Ohio.²

William David Sellers and Sarah Crawford were married on 2 Feb 1796 in Lincoln County, Kentucky.^{5,26-28} **Sarah Crawford**³, daughter of John Crawford and Rebekah Douglas, was born on 9 Oct 1778 in Pennsylvania, United States.¹ She died on 28 Feb 1855 at the age of 76 in Liberty Mills, Kosciusko County, Indiana.^{1,29} She was buried at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Liberty Mills, Wabash, Indiana, United States.²⁹ William David Sellers and Sarah Crawford had the following children:

11. _____ **Sellers**³⁰ died about 1806 in Preble, Ohio, United States. .³⁰

12. **Nathan Douglas Sellers** was born on 6 Jun 1797 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.^{1,31} He witnessed the sale of land by William David Sellers on 21 Jan 1830 in Preble, Ohio, United States.²¹ He lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio on 1 Jul 1830.³² Nathan lived in Preble County, Ohio on 1 Jul 1840.³³ He lived in Chester Township, Wabash County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1850.³⁴ He lived in Chester Township, Wabash, Indiana, United States in 1860.³⁵ Nathan lived in Chester Township, Wabash County, Indiana on 21 Jun 1870.³⁶ He died on 16 Feb 1874 at the age of 76 in North Manchester, Wabash, Indiana, United States.^{31,37} He had his estate probated in 1875 in Wabash, Wabash, Indiana, United States.³⁸ Nathan was buried at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Liberty Mills, Wabash, Indiana, United States.³¹

Nathan Douglas Sellers and Susanna Hawk³⁹ were married on 22 Sep 1818 in Preble County, Ohio.^{1,40-43} **Susanna Hawk** was born on 5 Jul 1802 in Pennsylvania, United States.^{1,39,44} She lived in Chester Township, Wabash County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1850.³⁴ She lived in Chester Township, Wabash, Indiana, United States in 1860.³⁵ Susanna lived in Chester Township, Wabash, Indiana, United States in 1870.³⁶ She died on 27 Feb 1879 at the age of 76 in Chester Township, Wabash, Indiana, United States.⁴⁴ She was buried at Pleasant Grove Cemetery in Liberty Mills, Wabash, Indiana, United States.⁴⁴

13. **Rebekah Crawford Sellers** was born on 29 Mar 1799 in Garrard, Kentucky, United States.¹ She died on 27 Nov 1799 at the age of 0.¹

14. **Nancy Sellers** was born on 4 Feb 1801 in Garrard or Bourbon County, Kentucky.¹ She lived in Clay Township, Miami, Indiana, United States in 1850.⁴⁵

Nancy Sellers and John Scott Sellers were married on 11 Dec 1817 in Preble County, Ohio.^{46–47} **John Scott Sellers**, son of Joseph Sellers and Rachel Summers, was born about 1790 in Kentucky, United States. He lived in Clay Township, Miami, Indiana, United States in 1850.⁴⁵

15. **John Howard Sellers** was born on 17 Jan 1803 in Barren, Kentucky, United States.^{1,48} He lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in 1830.⁴⁹ He lived in Washington Township, Preble, Ohio, United States on 1 Jul 1840.⁵⁰ John died on 22 Feb 1846 at the age of 43.^{1,48} He was buried at Chili Community Cemetery in Chili, Miami, Indiana, United States.⁴⁸

John Howard Sellers and Catherine I. Auter were married on 8 Mar 1825 in Preble County, Ohio.^{51–52} **Catherine I. Auter** was born (date unknown).

16. **Mary Polly Sellers** was born on 6 Jul 1809 in Preble County, Ohio.^{1,53} She was appointed guardian of Nancy Margaret Swihart, William Adam Swihart, Frances Marion Swihart and Sarah Katherine Swihart on 24 Oct 1837 in Preble, Ohio, United States.⁵⁴ She lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio on 6 Aug 1850.⁵⁵ Mary lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio in 1860.⁵⁶ She lived in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio in 1880.⁵⁷ She lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio in 1900.⁵⁸ Mary died in 1900 at the age of 91.⁵³ She was buried at Mound Hill Cemetery in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio.⁵³

Mary Polly Sellers and Jacob Swihart were married on 24 Jun 1830 in Preble County, Ohio.^{59–62} **Jacob Swihart** was born on 22 Oct 1804.¹ He bought land on 11 Sep 1829 in Preble, Ohio, United States from James Crawford.⁶³ He bought land on 11 Sep 1829 in Preble, Ohio, United States from William Allen Crawford.⁶⁴ Jacob died before Oct 1837 at the age of 33.⁶⁵

Mary Polly Sellers and Job Jefferson were married on 13 Feb 1839 in Preble County, Ohio.^{66–67} **Job Jefferson** was born on 25 Jan 1788.⁶⁸ On 5 Apr 1844, he assumed guardianship of Nancy Margaret Swihart aged 12 yrs., William Adam Swihart aged 10 yrs., Francis Marion

Swihart aged 8 yrs. and Sarah Catharine Swihart aged 7 yrs., children of Jacob Swihart, dec'd in Preble, Ohio, United States. He lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio on 6 Aug 1850.⁵⁵ Job lived in Gasper Township, Preble County, Ohio in 1860.⁵⁶ He lived in Eaton, Preble County, Ohio in 1880.⁵⁷ He died on 2 Sep 1884 at the age of 96 in Preble County, Ohio.⁶⁸

17. **Margaret Sellers** was born on 2 Sep 1811 in Preble County, Ohio.^{1,69} She lived in Jefferson Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in 1850.⁷⁰ She lived in Montrose Township, Lee, Iowa, United States in 1856.⁷¹ Margaret died on 27 Sep 1858 at the age of 47 in Sandusky, Lee, Iowa, United States.⁶⁹ She was buried at Sandusky Cemetery in Sandusky, Lee, Iowa, United States.⁶⁹

Margaret Sellers and Harry H. Wilson were married on 2 Feb 1832 in Preble County, Ohio.^{60,72-73} **Harry H. Wilson** was born on 3 Nov 1809.¹ He lived in Jefferson Township, Preble, Ohio, United States in 1850.⁷⁰ He lived in Montrose Township, Lee, Iowa, United States in 1856.⁷¹

18. **Celia Amanda Sellers** was born on 2 Sep 1818 in Preble County, Ohio.²⁵ She lived in Chester Township, Wabash County, Indiana in 1850.⁷⁴ She lived in Wayne Township, Huntington, Indiana, United States in 1860.⁷⁵ Celia lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana in 1870.⁷⁶ She lived in Plattsburgh, Clinton County, Indiana in 1880.⁷⁷ She died on 25 Sep 1881 at the age of 63 in Clinton, Missouri, United States.^{25,78} Celia was buried at Old Plattsburg Cemetery in Plattsburg, Clinton, Missouri, United States.²⁵

Celia Amanda Sellers and William Henry West were married on 3 Aug 1837 in Preble County, Ohio.^{60,78-80} **William Henry West**, son of Jephtha West and Polly Wise, was born on 28 Mar 1815 in Preble County, Ohio. He lived in Chester Township, Wabash County, Indiana on 10 Sep 1850.⁷⁴ He lived in Wayne Township, Huntington, Indiana, United States in 1860.⁷⁵ William lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 29 Jun 1870.⁷⁶ He lived in Plattsburgh, Clinton County, Indiana on 2 Jun 1880.⁸¹

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Preble in the War of 1812

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Do you have War of 1812 ancestors? If so, have you found military records for them? Over the years I've searched for 1812 military records for several of my ancestors. I have yet to find any.

However, I recently found reviewed the book, History of Preble County, Ohio and found that it includes a recollection of Col. George D. Hendricks which discusses the formation of a volunteer corps in Preble County.

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Preble in the War of 1812

The following is from the recollections of Col. George D. Hendricks:

“Captain James I. Nesbit, of New Lexington, Built a stockade fort seven miles north of New Paris, and was stationed at that place with a small detachment of Preble drafted men, and upon the siege of Fort Meigs, was ordered to that locality. This left the settlements at Eaton and about New Paris and Richmond, Indiana, exposed to Indian depredations from the northwest. The settlers, as a means of safety, built block-houses in many places. One of them was upon the Brookville road south of Robert Miller’s residence, then owned by John Hopkins.

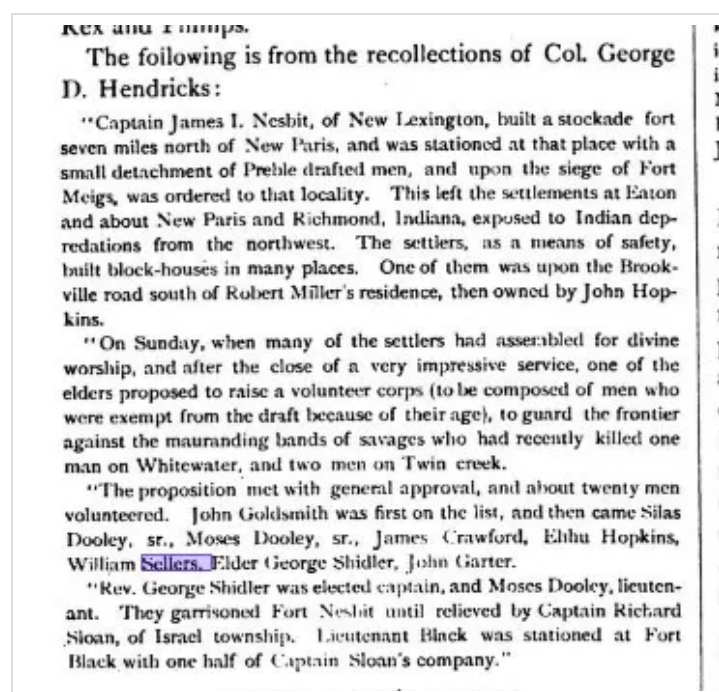
“On Sunday, when many of the settlers had assembled for divine worship, and after the close of a very impressive service, one of the elders proposed to raise a volunteer corps (to be composed of men who were exempt from the draft because of their age), to guard the frontier against the maurandng bands of savages who had recently killed one man on Whitewater, and two men on Twin creek.

"The proposition met with general approval, and about twenty men volunteered. John Goldsmith was first on the list, and then came Silas Dooley, Sr., Moses Dooley, sr. James Crawford, Elihu Hopkins, William Sellers, Elder George Shidler, John Carter

"Rev. George Shidler was elected captain and Moses Dooley, lieutenant. They garrisoned Fort Nesbit until relieved by Captain Richard Sloan of Israel township. Lieutenant Black was stationed at Fort Black with one half of Captain Sloan's company

HISTORY OF PREBLE COUNTY, OHIO: WITH ILLUSTRATIONS AND BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES (N.P.: H. Z. WILLIAMS & BRO., PUBLISHERS, 1881), PAGE 40; DIGITAL IMAGES, ARCHIVE.ORG, [HTTP://WWW.ARCHIVE.ORG](http://www.archive.org) VIEWED ONLINE 7 NOVEMBER 2022.

While this account not only identifies the citizens of Preble County that served but also the leader. Unfortunately, a search of Fold3 did not uncover any documents for George D. Hendricks or for Captain James Nesbit. Thus, it is difficult to conclude any of the records for a James Crawford from Ohio in the War of 1812 is the same James Crawford. I was able to find a record for William Castor who served under Captain James Nesbit. Unfortunately, the list in the Preble County book does not contain a William Castor.



Message Boards

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK


/ NOVEMBER 23, 2022


/ CATEGORIES: ANCESTRY


Do you remember using message boards? At one time these boards on both [Genealogy.com](#) and [Ancestry](#) were very active. While the [Genealogy.com](#) boards are no longer active, one can still post to the boards on [Ancestry](#). Since many genealogists have migrated to Facebook groups, these boards are not as useful for asking questions as they once were.

However, both boards contain a wealth of genealogy information and are still searchable. While digging into the early history of Kentucky, I remembered that a researcher had posted lots of information about the settlement of Kentucky on [Ancestry's](#) message boards. Since I'm looking for information on Logan's Fort, I decided to see if I could find those old posts.

Not only did I find several messages that will be helpful, but I found one that is a 'table of contents' to those messages!


WELCOME TO KENTUCKY RESEARCH!

 This board is read-only and closed to new posts.

 Sandi Gorin

Replies: 0
 Posted: 23 Jan 1998 6:00 AM
 Classification: Query
 Edited: 23 Jun 2001 10:32 AM

May I introduce myself? I am Sandi Gorin and am a historian and author/compilist of historical and genealogical records in Barren County, Kentucky. For the past two years I have been managing an e-mail list called KYRESEARCH on which I post, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, researching tips for the State of Kentucky (with some applying to other states as well). I am fortunate to have a wonderful list of subscribers, including many libraries across the United States.

Now, with the assistance of Nancy Trice and Pam Carey, this message board has been set up where research tips, past and future, will also be posted. They will be archived and you may post queries right to the board. I will answer all your queries and hopefully can be of assistance to you.

I am in the process of organizing the previous 117 tips right now and will be forwarding to this board as soon as I can. I certainly hope you'll find something interesting! Here are the tips that will be placed on the message board. As I add new ones, an additional index will be added.

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Using Ancestry's Message board, I found the following messages that will help me with my research of early Kentucky.

- Welcome to Kentucky Research (table of Contents)
- Tip #125 – Early Forts and Stations – including Logan's Fort
- Tip #129 – Forts & Settlements – Including Ruddle's Statin
- Tip #204 – Pioneer Soldiers, 1778-1781
- Tip 266 Station in Northern KY & Fort Nelson — including Harrod's Company
- Tip #66 – The Third Kentucky Time Line

Knowing that the community on Genealogy.com was also active, I decided to see what I could find in those messages about some of the Kentucky Forts and Stations

- Logan's Fort Kentucky

While the people and/or email addresses behind these messages may no longer be active, there is a wealth of information to be found in these old message boards.

Tradition

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

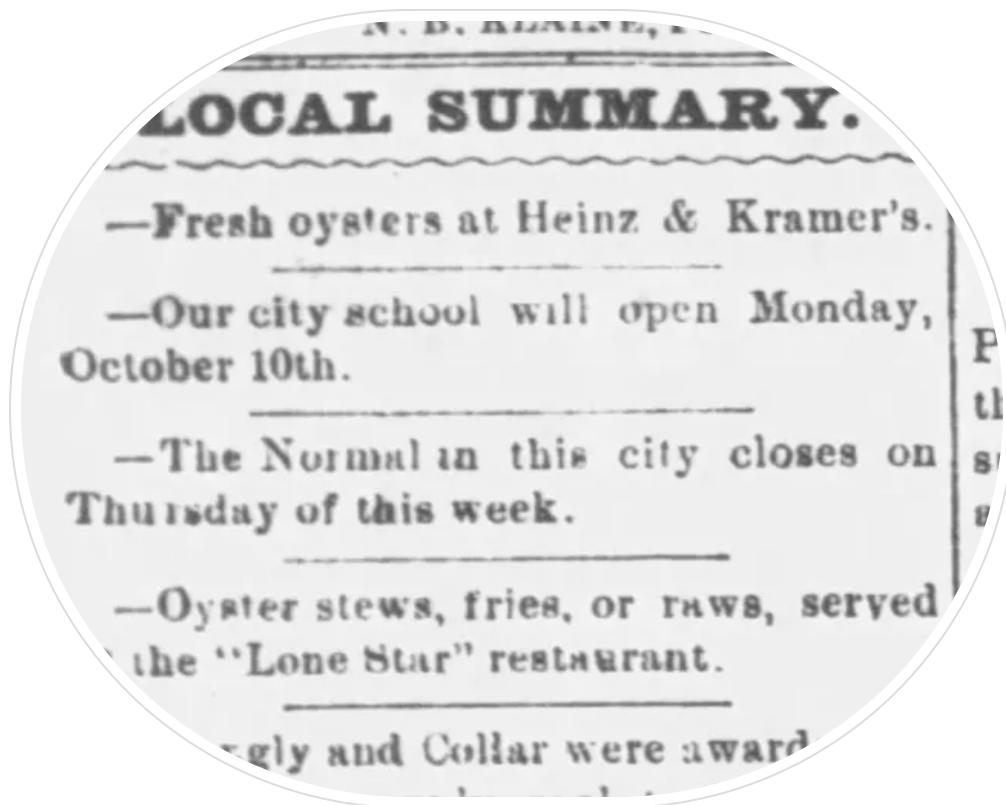
/ NOVEMBER 24, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: THANKSGIVING

What was your childhood Thanksgiving like? Have any of the foods or practices become a tradition in your family? Have you ever thought about whether a certain dish has been passed down thru the family over the years?

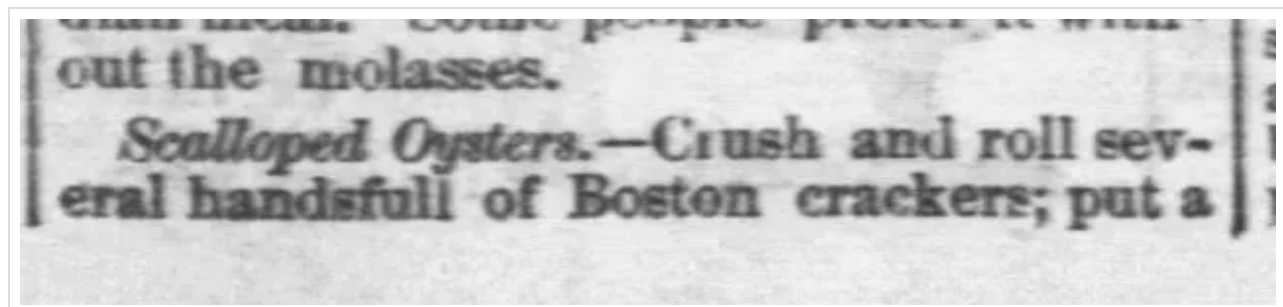
I've often wondered that about a couple of dishes at our family thanksgiving dinners: scalloped oysters and pecan pie.

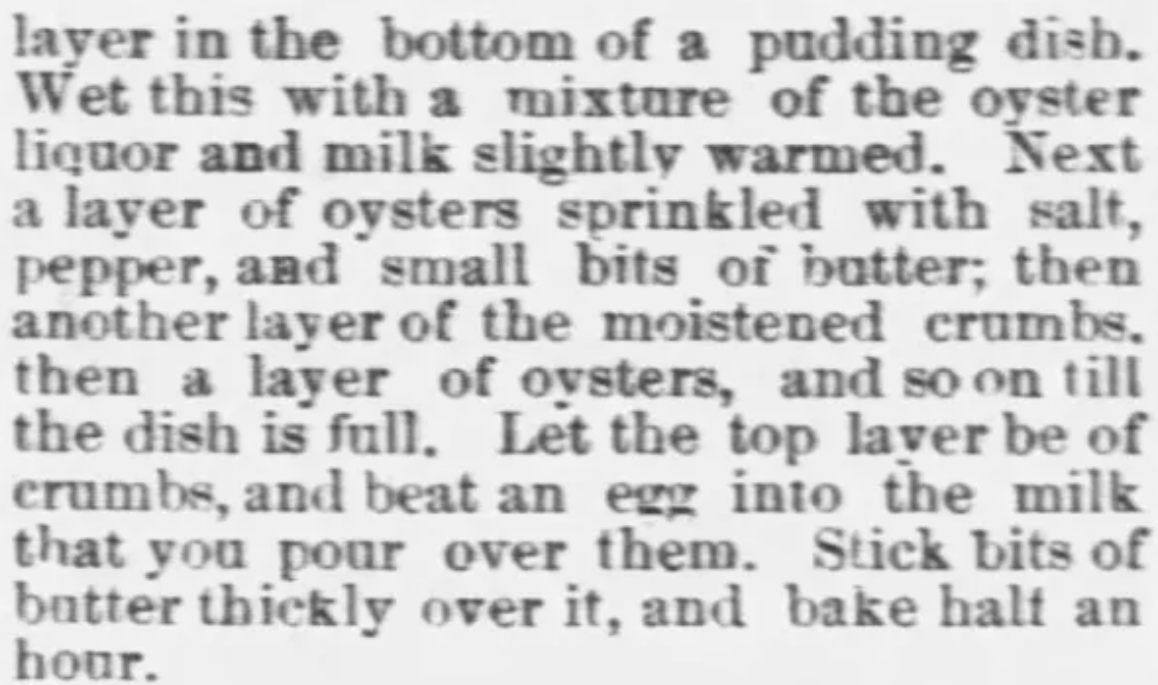
Since my great-grandmother's Hammond family was from New England, I have often thought that her heritage is what put the oysters on the table at Thanksgiving. However, as I read the early Dodge City papers for family information, I saw quite a few ads for oysters in the grocery stores. This made me question my theory about how they ended up on the Thanksgiving table.



Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, KS) 28 Aug 1883 – found on
Newspapers.com

A search of the Dodge City papers for ‘scalloped oysters’ turned up a recipe very similar to what my grandmother used that was published in 1881.





layer in the bottom of a pudding dish. Wet this with a mixture of the oyster liquor and milk slightly warmed. Next a layer of oysters sprinkled with salt, pepper, and small bits of butter; then another layer of the moistened crumbs, then a layer of oysters, and so on till the dish is full. Let the top layer be of crumbs, and beat an egg into the milk that you pour over them. Stick bits of butter thickly over it, and bake half an hour.

Dodge City Globe (Dodge City, Kansas) 18 Oct 1881 available on Newspapers.com

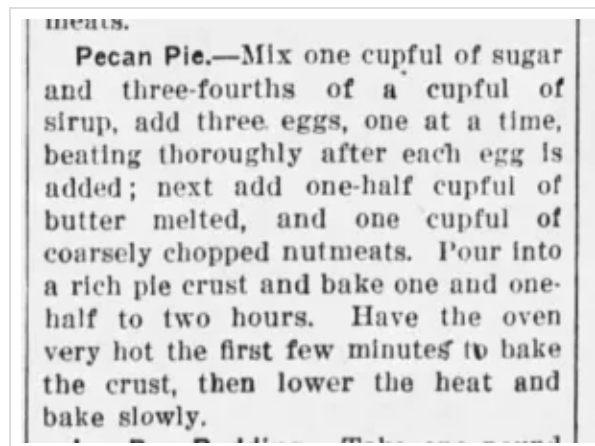
While scalloped oysters may be something handed down over the years thru the Hammond family, it is also possible that oysters became a popular dish in land-locked Dodge City. Thus, a recipe my great grandmother may have learned to cook and passed on to her daughter-in-law.

The second potential family dish is pecan pie which suggests a southern lineage. My grandmother's grandmother, Angelina Burke Currey, had southern roots. However, she died before my grandmother was born. Thus, I doubt that a family dish was passed down by Angelina thru her son to her granddaughter.

My suspicion is that pecan pie was added to the menu when my grandmother found a recipe and tried it. That suspicion is supported by the article, [A Brief History of Pecan Pie](#). This history asserts that a recipe began to be distributed nationally by Karo Syrup.

By the beginning of the 20th century, recipes for pecan pie had started appearing outside of Texas, but the pie wouldn't surge in popularity until the mid-1920s. That's when the manufacturer of Karo syrup began printing a recipe for pecan pie on cans of the product, as James McWilliams noted in *The Pecan: A History of America's Native Nut*. Wide distribution of Karo syrup introduced many people to pecan pie, who found it was quite simple to make.

A search of the Dodge City papers confirms that a recipe for pecan pie was printed in 1926.



Southwest News (Dodge City, Kansas)
16 Sep 1926 – Available on
Newspapers.com

Thus, the two dishes served during my childhood likely are the result of recipes in the local newspapers and not family traditions.

Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 25, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BARREN COUNTY, DOUGLASS

Does your FAN club ever surprise you? Have you ever found a new connection between members of your FAN club? I've recently been paying more attention to Moses Dooley and his family since he is in the same locations as my James Crawford.

As I'm starting to seriously research Moses Dooley and his family, I discovered that his son, Abner was married to Nancy Douglass. And of course, Douglass is another surname in my Kentucky FAN Club. According to FamilySearch, Nancy is the daughter of George Douglass.

While we still lack proof, it is suspected that George Douglass had a sister, Rebekah who married John Crawford. Based on their marriage records, Rebekah Crawford is thought to be the mother of James Crawford (wife Martha Knight), Mary Crawford (husband James Sellers) and Sarah Crawford (husband William Sellers). If Rebekah is a sister to George Douglass, then Nancy Douglass Dooley would be a niece. That would also make Nancy Douglass Cooley a first cousin to James Crawford (wife Martha).

While George Douglass' will does not mention siblings, it does identify his children, including Nancy Dooley. This establishes a connection between the DOUGLASS and the DOOLEY families in my Kentucky Fan Club.

Will of George Douglass



Image 334 – page 74
George Douglas Will

In the name of God, Amen. I George Douglass of the County of Barren and State of Kentucky being in a weak and lonely state of health and knowing the uncertainty of death, but in my usual state of mind and memory do make and ordain this to be my last will & testament in the words and manner following, to wit

I will devise and bequeth to my son Saml Douglass one negro girl named Fenny to him and his heirs forever

I will devise and bequeath to my son William Douglass the sum of four hundred dollars to be deducted out of the money he justly owes me to him and his heirs forever.

I will devise and bequeth to my daughter Salley Shaw one dollar in cash to her and her heirs forever.

My will desire also is that my Negro girl Emily and my riding horse be sold and all my just debts collected and the money arising from the same to be equally divided between six legatees namely Mary Hill, Nancy Dooley, Betsy Bagby, Nathan Douglass, William Douglass, & Saml Douglass to theirs and their heirs forever and also will same equality between the heirs of my son John Douglass decd and the heirs of my daughter Milly Newland decd that is to say the heirs of my son John Douglass Desc all jointly to have one equal share with each one of the before mentioned six legatees and that one equal share to be equally divided among the said heirs of John Douglass Decd and the heirs of my daughter Milly Newland decd to have an equal share with the heirs of John Douglass Decd to them and their heirs forever. I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint Henry F Greenwood my executor tho this my last will & testament

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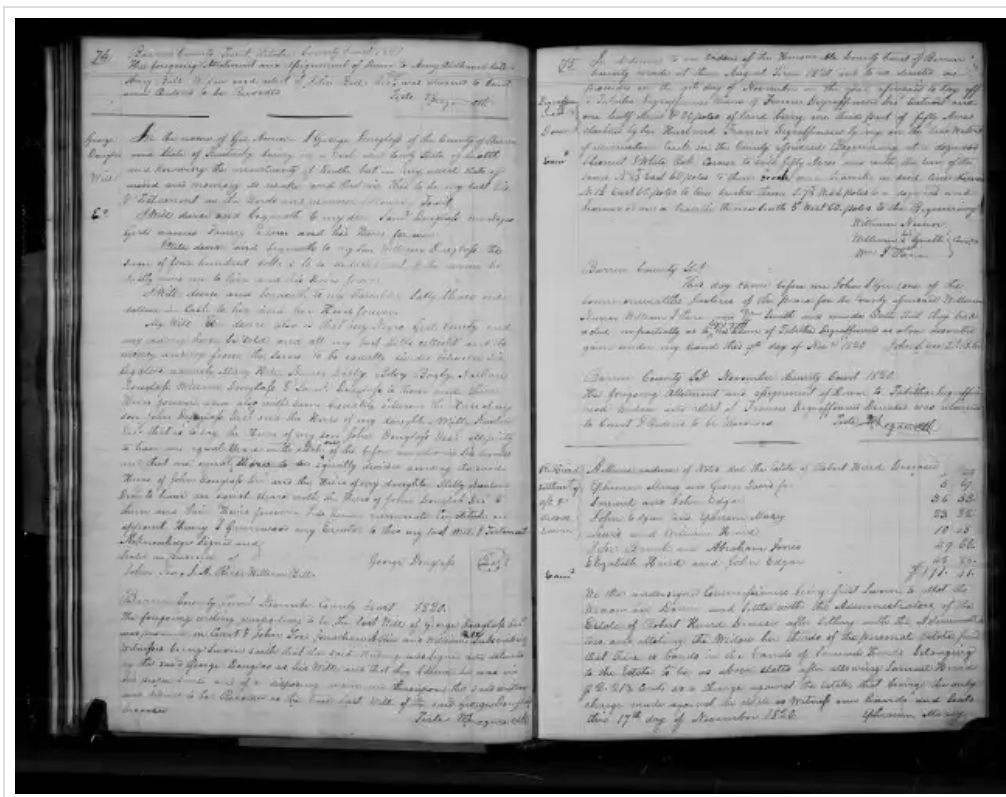
John Fox, J.A. Rice, William Bell

George Douglass

Barren County, To Wit November Court 1820

The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will of George Douglass Decd

was produced in Court & John Fox, Jonathan A Rice and William Bell
 subscribing
 witnesses being sworn saith that the said writing was signed and
 delivered
 by the said George Douglas as his will, and that they believe he was in
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Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 26, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Courier tribune

13 May 1940

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Former Sabetha Boy Captain in Air Corps

First Lieutenant Carl R. Feldmann, U. S. Army Air Corps was promoted to captain on May 8. He has served 10 years at Selridge Field, Mich., Randolph Field, Texas, Chanute Field, Ill, March Field, Calif and is now stationed at Hickman Field, Hawaii.

Two bombardment groups, consisting of three squadrons each of big Army bombers are located at Hickman, which has about 12 miles from Honolulu. It is the largest air field in the Army, and one barracks alone on the field will house 3,000 soldiers.

Captain Feldmann is base engineering officer of Hickam Field being on the special staff of the post commander, Col. S. W. Fitzgerald. He probably will be returned to the United States next February, in a group of 20 officers from Hawaii who will take the tactical course at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Ala. — The Horton Headlight.

Capt. Feldmann is a former Sabetha young man. His wife is a daughter of Col. Chas. H. Browne of the Horton Headlight.

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Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 27, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

It's Saturday Night

Time for Some More Genealogy Fun

Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

A) We all need to document some of the special moments in our lives so we can recall them, or our descendants can learn more about us. Today's question is "What was your Thanksgiving Day like this year?"

My Thanksgiving Day can be summarized with 3 words.

- Cooking
- Travel
- Family

Like many of the cooks hosting Thanksgiving dinner, my day started early. However, I wasn't in my kitchen at home, but in the kitchen at church. My local church hosts an annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Prior to covid, people were able to gather in the church basement and share the meal together. We also offered delivery to shut-ins and those working on Thanksgiving. When covid hit, we eliminated the dine-in option but provided the ability for people to pick up meals to take home. Delivery is still an option within the city limits.



While the turkey is cooked in advance and just re-heated on Thanksgiving day, the stuffing is prepared that morning. I typically work the 'stuffing prep' shift that begins between 6 and 6:30 am. Once we have the stuffing in the oven, the turkey is placed in the oven or in roasters and we start heating the corn. While the other two people on the early shift monitor the cooking and continue getting things ready for the next shift to prepare the mashed potatoes and gravy, I start cutting and packaging the pies. Since other help arrived early, we were able to get the pie and most of the jello salads packaged before I left around 10 am.

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We served over 225 meals that day which is over 10% of the size of Seneca.

The second portion of my day started around noon when my husband and I travelled to Kansas City to spend the day with my brother's family. The weather was fantastic and the traffic light making for an enjoyable trip.

The evening was spent with my brother and his wife, their daughters and son-in-law where we enjoyed a traditional Thanksgiving meal prepared by my sister-in-law. (While baking pies and making jello salads on Tuesday, I made extra to take with us to KC.) During dessert, we were joined by my sister-in-law's nephew and family.

While it was a tiring day, I enjoyed the time with both my church family and with my brother and his family.

Tax / Deed Puzzle

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 28, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BARREN COUNTY, CRAWFORD

Have you ever had a clue from one document that should lead you to another document, but it doesn't? That's my case with my James Crawford research in the early 1800s.

For background, my ancestor, James Crawford, married Sally Duggins in Garrard County, Kentucky in 1799. By 1811 he is living in Preble County, Ohio. In Ohio, his land entry is as a tenant in common with William Sellers. William Sellers married Sarah Crawford in 1796 in Lincoln County, KY. The consent for Sarah Crawford's marriage was granted by Rebakah Crawford with James Crawford and James Sellers as witnesses. In 1793, a James Crawford obtained a bond to marry Martha Knight in Lincoln County, Kentucky. James and Martha owned land in Preble County, Ohio next to James and Sally Crawford.

While the obvious conclusion would be that all three families migrated from Garrard/Lincoln county Kentucky to Preble County, Kentucky, they likely took a detour. In 1821, James and Martha sell land in Barren County, Kentucky.

” *This Indenture made the eleventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one between James Crawford of the county of Preble state of Ohio of the one part and John Moorehead of Barren County Kentucky state of the other part and witnesseth that the said James Crawford for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars recents to the said James Crawford in hand paid the receipt of which is hereby acknowledge have granted bargained aliened conveyed & confirmed & by these*

presents

*do grant bargain sell alien convey and confirm unto the said John Moorhead his heirs & assigns forever a certain tract of land containing two hundred acres of the county of Barren & State of Kentucky on the waters of **Marrawbone***

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In testimony whereof, the said James Crawford & Martha his wife has hereunto set their hands and seal the day and year first above written
James Crawford

Martha (her mark) Crawford

Sealed and Delivered

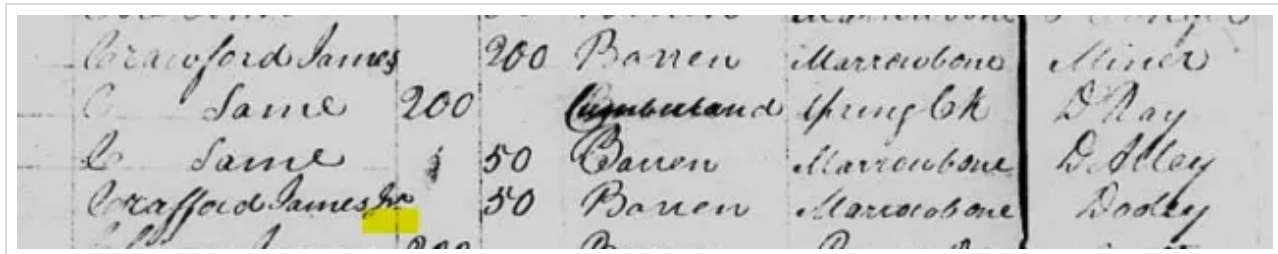
in the presence of us

David Williamson

Nathan D Sellers

KENTUCKY, BARREN COUNTY. DEEDS. FILM #7899153. JAMES CRAWFORD TO ALEXANDER MOOREHEAD, 11 DEC 1821; J: 1-2; DIGITAL IMAGES, FAMILY SEARCH
[HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED ONLINE JANUARY 2019.

While owning land in a county did not necessarily mean that the individual resided in the county, a search of the tax lists for Barren County, Kentucky has a James Crawford with 200 acres on the Marrowbone in 1800. By 1802, those tax lists show a Crawford James (small) and a Crawford James (big) Senr. James Crawford Senr is listed as owning 200 acres on the Marrowbones. A William Sellers is also found on the 1802 tax lists. By 1803, these tax lists show that Crafford James Jr owns 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone.



Since the Preble County, Ohio tax lists also uses the “Jr” designation for one of the James Crawfords, I think my James Crawford may also have lived in Barren County, KY along with James Crawford and William Sellers. Since I’ve established that James Jr in Preble county is my James Crawford, my theory is that the James Jr owning 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone is my James Crawford. However, I need to find the deed for the sale of the land on the Marrowbone.

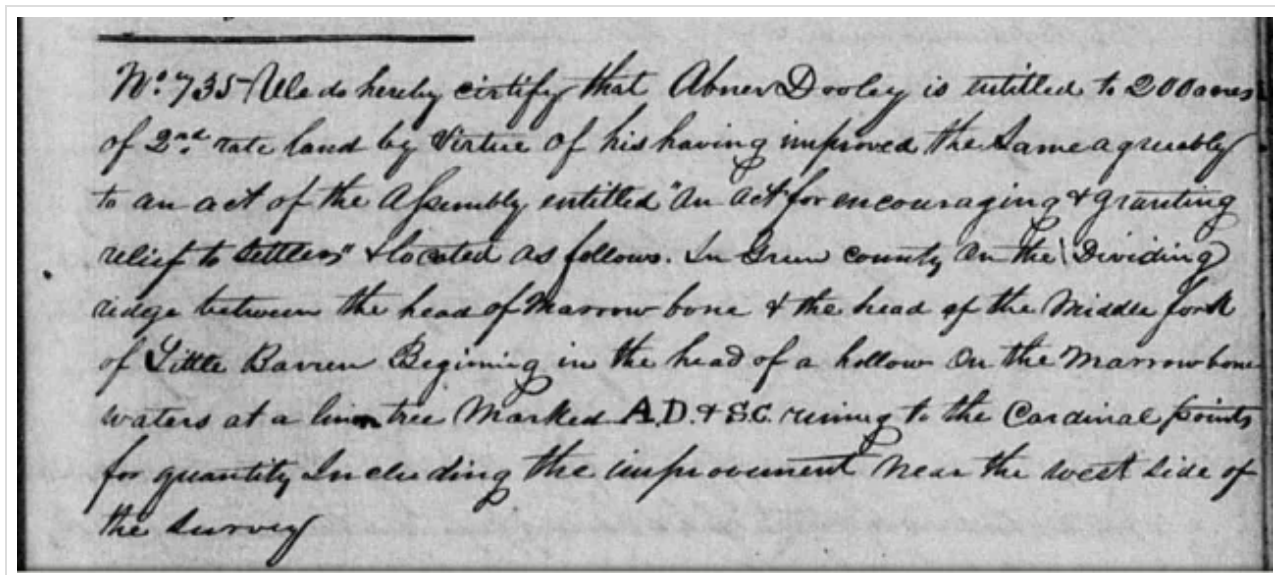
And that’s where I’m puzzled! I can’t find such a deed in Barren County.

Since the tax lists indicate that the 50 acres on the Marrowbone were originally granted to Abner Dooley, I’ve tried tracking his land. Abner Dooley has land entered in Green County, Kentucky for 200 acres on the Marrowbone.

” No. 735 We do hereby certify that Abner Dooley is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rage land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably to an act of the Assembly entitled “Al act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers” & located as follows In Green County on the Dividing ridge between the head of Marrowbone and the head of the Middle Fork of Little Barren Beginning in the head of a hollow on the Marrowbone waters at a linen tree marked AD & SC running to the cardinal points for quantity included the improvement near the west side of the survey.

KENTUCKY, GREEN COUNTY. LAND ENTRY BOOKS, 1780-1898, 1908, 1918. FILM #1877097 DGS 8272154. ABNER DOOLEY, 14 DEC 1798; PAGE 117 (IMAGE 99);

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Searching for Abner Dooley deeds, I found one in Barren County, Kentucky from 1806 where Abner sells land to Michael Branstetter. The land description in this deed includes the following

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Beginning at a lynn tree marked AD and SC

The tax records support this transfer of land. In 1806 Abner Dooley is shown with 197 acres on the L Barren. Then, in 1807, Michal Branstetter has 197 acres on L Barren that was originally entered by Ab Dooley.

26 Davis Jesse	250	Same Khaggs on Jesse Davis Same
26 Dooley George	160	Same L Barren G Dooley Same
26 Dooley Abner	197	Same Same A Dooley Same
26 Dooley Thomas	200	Same Same T Dooley Same
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" 29	Barnett William	"	"	"	"	"
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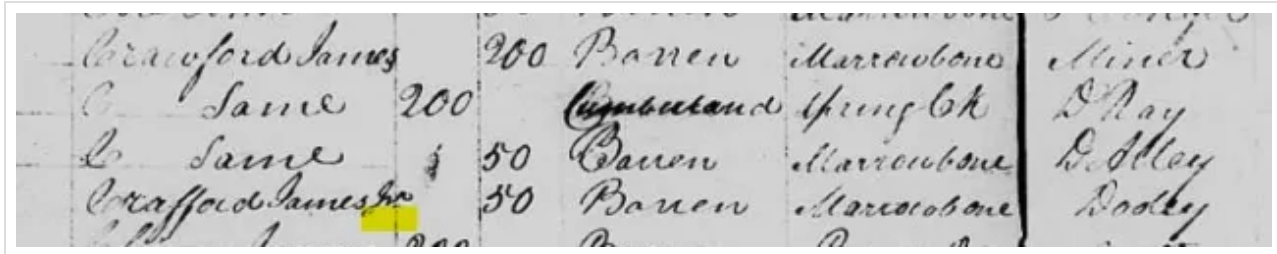
If I go back to 1803, Abner Dooley is shown with two parcels of land: 200 acres on the L Barren and 50 acres on the Marrowbone.

Dooley Rubin	200	Barren	L Barren	Dooley
Dooley Abner	200	Barren	L Barren	Same
Same	50	Barren	Marrowbone	Same
27 Dooley Moses Jr	225	Barren	Marrowbone	Same

Then, in 1804, Abner Dooley no longer has the 50 acres on the Marrowbone.

Apr 25 Dooley Moses Jr	200	Same	Marrowbone	Same	Same
Apr 25 Dooley George	160	Same	Littlebarren	Same	Same
Apr 25 Dooley Dickie	200	Same	Same	Same	Same
Apr 16 Dooley Moses Senr	200	Same	Same	Same	Same
Apr 25 Dooley Thomas	200	Same	Same	Same	Same
Apr 25 Dooley Silas					
Apr 25 Dooley Abner	200	Same	Same	Same	Same
March 26 Durdagaw John					
Apr 10 Durdagaw Solomon					
March 22 Durdagaw Thomas	200	Same	Beaver Creek	Carey	Carey
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Looking at the 1803 tax list again, James Crawford Jr is listed with the 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone while another James Crawford is listed directly above with a total of 450 acres: 200 on the L Barren, 200 on Spring Creek and 50 on the Marrowbone.



A handwritten document, likely a tax list or land deed record, with columns for names, acreage, and locations. The text is written in cursive. A yellow highlight is visible under the name 'Crawford James' in the first column.

Name	Acreage	Location	Owner/Agent
Crawford James	200	Barren	Marrowbone
C. Same	200	Cumberland	Spring Crk
C. Same	50	Barren	Marrowbone
Crawford James	50	Barren	Marrowbone
			Dooley

Based on this tax list analysis, I am missing several deeds:

- Abner Dooley's land sale for 50 acres on the Marrowbone sometime after 1803
- James Crawford's purchase of 50 acres on the Marrowbone
- Deeds for the sale of two different 50 acre parcels of land on the Marrowbone by James Crawford
- James Crawford sale of 200 acres of land on Spring Creek (possibly in Cumberland county)

Another James

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 29, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD

Do you ever feel like men named the same as your ancestor just seem to jump out wherever your ancestor lived? I know that James Crawford is a popular name – but how many can there be in Kentucky prior to 1805?

Well, there's another one in Barren County, Kentucky this time. While I have documentation placing James (and Martha) Crawford in the county and suspicions that James (and Sally) lived there, it is likely there is a third James Crawford. In a Barren County deed dated August 1801, a James Crawford sells 142 acres of land about 5 miles from Roundtrees ferry on the Green River. Since a spouse is not mentioned in the deed, I doubt it is either of the Preble County Ohio James Crawford. Thus, it becomes another James.



Barren County Kentucky

Deeds – Vols. Before A 1798-1807 Vol. A 1799-1899

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*This Indenture made this 4th day of August
1801 between James Crawford of the County of
Barren and State of Kentucky of the One part
and Allen M. Wakefield Robert Wickliff &
Andrew Mershon of the other part witnesseth
that the said Crawford for and in consideration
of the sum of L60 to him in hand paid the*

*receipt whereof he doth hereby acknowledge
hath granted bargained sold & confirmed
and by these presents doth grant bargain sell alien
and confirm unto the said Wakefield Wickliff and
Mershon and their heirs and assigns forever
one certain tract or parcel of land containing
one hundred and forty two acres about 5 miles from
Roundtrees ferry on Green river 7 bounded as follow
eth (to wit) Beginning at a hickory, red oak &
white oak, on the top of a ridge near the road
leading from said Ferry to the Oven Spring
on the South side thereof running thence North
46 degrees west 200 poles to a post oak thence North
44 degrees east 114 poles to a stake in the Barrens
thence south forty six east 200 poles to three
post oaks thence south 44 degrees west 114 poles to
the beginning to have and to hold the above
described and hereby bargained premises with
its appurtenances unto the said Wakefield
Wickliff and Mershon and their heirs &
assigns forever and the said Crawford for
himself and his heirs doth forever warrant
and defend the aforesaid tract of land with
its appurtenances from the claim or claims*

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*of him his heirs or assigns ro any other person or
persons whatsoever In witness whereof he hath
hereunto set his hand and seal the day and
year first above written*

James Crawford (seal)

Barren County to wit Aug 4th 1801

*As clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions for the
County aforesaid I certify that the within*

*deed was acknowledged before me by James
Crawford a party thereto and admited to
record in my office
Ricd Garnett CB QsC*

Day Off

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ NOVEMBER 30, 2022

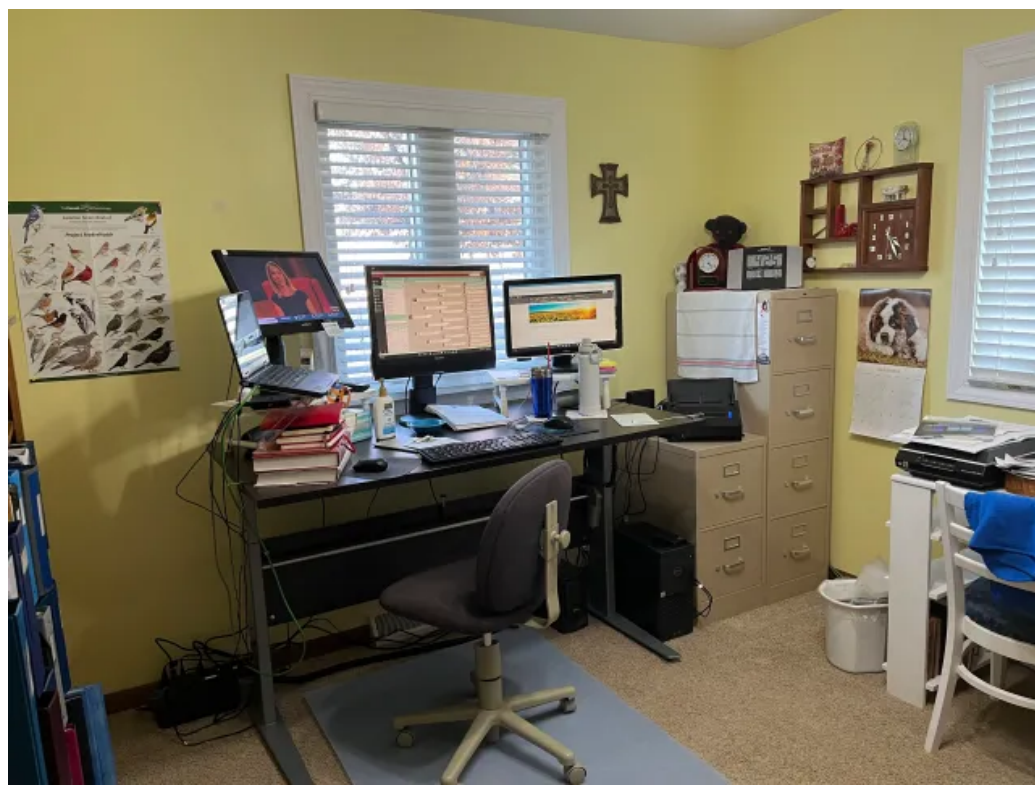
/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

Have you ever taken a day off of research to rearrange furniture? Well, I finally bit the bullet and took the day off to rearrange my office.

Since I worked in an office with no windows or outside light of any kind for the bulk of my career, I love being able to look outside while working at my computer. Until last winter, I didn't have any problem with my computer facing south since we had a large tree that helped filter the sun. Unfortunately, a storm last December took that tree down. This caused me to have to keep my blinds closed during the winter because of the sun shining in my eyes.

Thus, for the past year, I've been contemplating how to rearrange my office so that my computer would face the East windows. I had measured all of the furniture and graphed it out but couldn't figure out an arrangement to keep the filing cabinets and book cases while having the space for my computer table, the printer and scanners.

Today, with the help of my wonderful husband, we dismantled my office and rearranged the furniture. Now I can watch out the window while working at my computer without having the sun shine in my eyes. Not only do I have rearranged furniture, but in the process, everything got dusted and cleaned.



Now to get back to research tomorrow!

Green River Land

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 1, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BARREN COUNTY, DOOLEY

While trying to find a deed for 50 acres of land on the Marrowbone that I think my ancestor, James Crawford may have owned, I was trying to find the original land entry. Unfortunately, I haven't found any land entries or deeds for this land. However, while looking at land entry records in Green County, I found several entries for members of my CRAWFORD FAN club: namely Douglas and Dooley.

The first is an entry by Nathaniel Douglass for 200 acres. At this point, I'm not sure this Nathaniel Douglas fits in my FAN Club. My FAN club includes George Douglass and his descendants. George had a son named Nathan. FamilySearch does not have any brothers identified for George Douglas. Could the Nathaniel Douglas in the land entry be George's son, Nathan? Maybe. But lots of research would need to be done to prove that Nathan and Nathaniel are the same person.

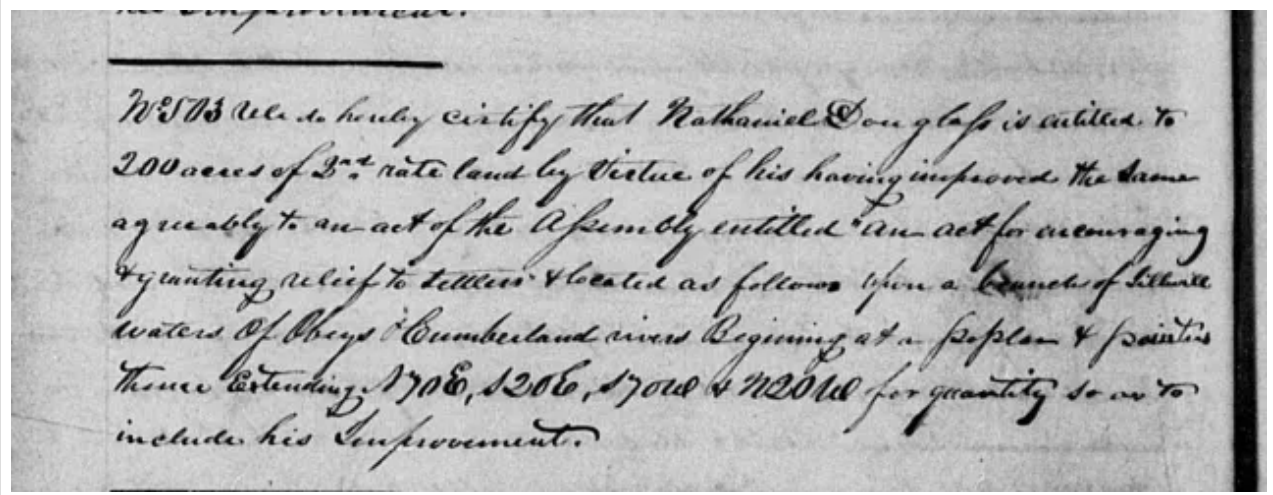


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1799 Jany 14

No 503 We do hereby certify that Nathaniel Douglass is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeable to an act of the assembly entitled "An act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers & located as follows upon a branch of waters of & Cumberland rivers beginning at a poplar &

thence extending N70E S20ES70W & N20W for quantity so as to include his improvement.



Then, I found an entry for Jacob Dooley. At this point, I don't believe Jacob Dooley is a son of FAN club member, Capt. Moses Dooley. This might be an entry for the brother of Capt. Dooley, Private Jacob Dooley. The details for Private Jacob Dooley indicate that he resided in Madison County, KY, making it possible that this land entry is for him. Thus, I have added a discussion to that those more familiar with Private Jacob Dooley can determine whether he entered land in Green County, Kentucky.

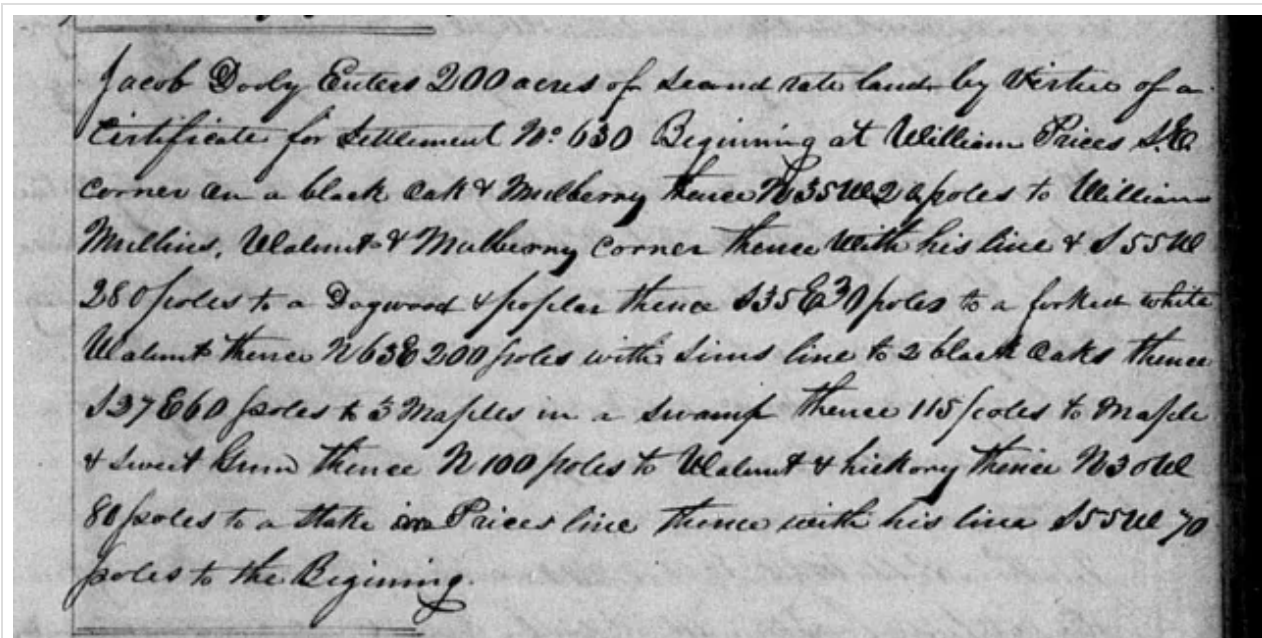


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1799 May 3

Jacob Dooly enters 200 acres of second rate land by virtue of a certificate of settlement No 630 Beginning at William Prices Se corner on a Black Oak & Mulberry thence N 35W20 poles to Williams Mullins Walnut & Mulberry corner thence with hsi line & S55W 280 poles to a dogwood & poplar thence S35E30 poles to a forked white walnut thence N 63E200 poles with Sims line to 2 black oaks thence S27E60 poles to 3 maples in a swamp thence 115 poles to Maple

& Sweet Gum thence N 100 poles to Walnut & hickory thence N 30 W
80 poles to a stake in Prices line thence with his line S55W 70
poles to the Beginning



In 1798, brothers, George and Ruben Dooley entered adjoining land.

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1798 Dec 14

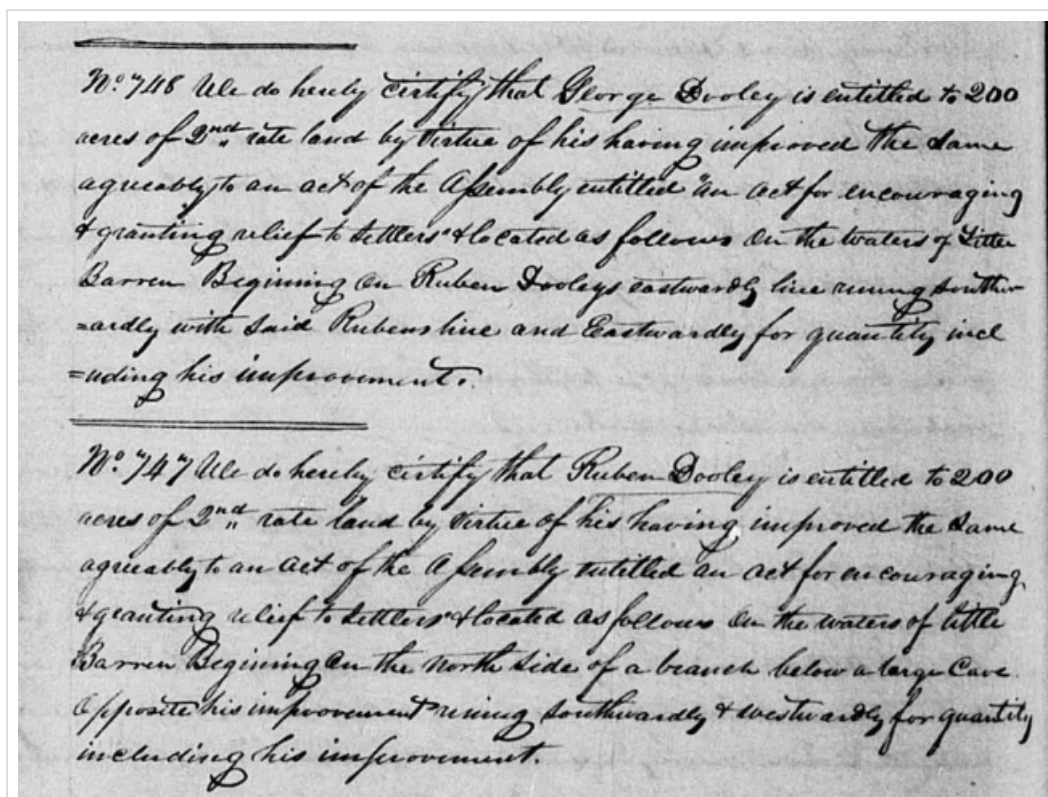
No 747 We do hereby certify that Ruben Dooley is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably to an act of the assembly entitled an act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers to locate as follows on the waters of little Barren Beginning on the north side of a branch below a large cave opposite his improvement running southwardly & westwardly for quantity including his improvement.

KENTUCKY, GREEN COUNTY. LAND ENTRY BOOKS, 1780-1898, 1908, 1918. FILM #1877097 DGS 8272154. RUBEN DOOLEY, DEC 1798; PAGE 118; DIGITIZED IMAGES, FAMILYSEARCH [HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED ONLINE 17 NOVEMBER 2022.

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1798 Dec 14

No. 748 We do hereby certify that George Dooley is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably to an act of the Assembly entitled “an act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers & located as follows on the waters of **Little Barren** Beginning on Ruben Dooleys eastward line running southwardly with said Rubens line and eastwardly for quantity including his improvement.



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Finally, in 1799 is an entry for Moses Dooley for land on the Marrowbone.

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1799 Feb 22

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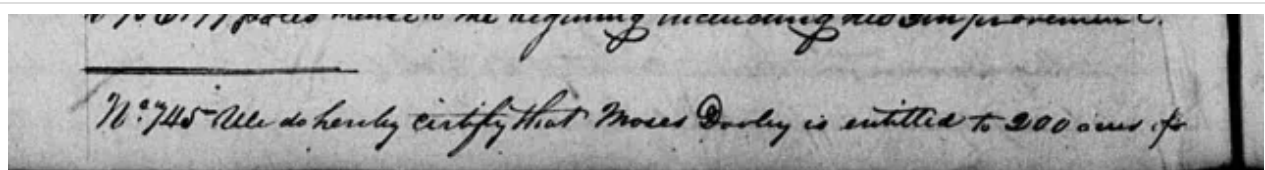
No 745 We do hereby certify that Moses Dooley is entitled to 200 acres of

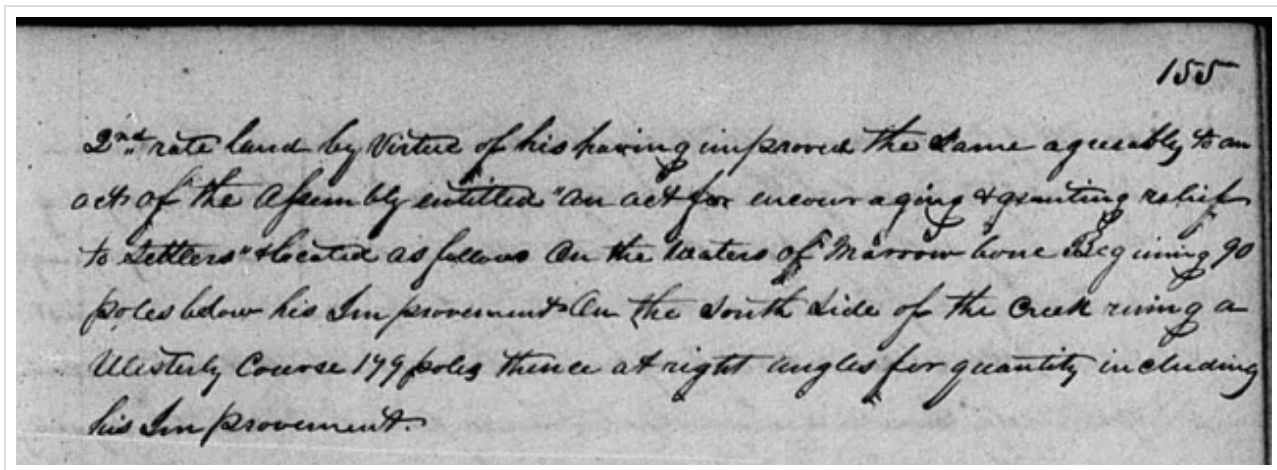
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*2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably to an act of the assembly entitled “An act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers & located as follows on the waters of **Marrowbone** beginning 90*

poles below his improvement on the south side of the creek a westerly course 179 poles thence at right angles for quantity including his improvement.

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This land entry could be for Capt. Moses Dooley or his son, Moses Dooley. A check of the tax records suggests that this entry is for the son since it is Moses Junr who owns land on the Marrowbone.

14	Pick Abraham	200	Barren	Little Barren	Abraham Pick	sa
14	Dooley Moses Senr	200	Barren	Little Barren	Moses Dooley	sa
..	Same	200	Barren		Thomas Dooley	sa
..	Dooley George	200	Barren	Little Barren	Geo. Dooley	sa
..	Dooley Moses Jr	200	Barren	Marrowbone	Moses Dooley	sa
..	Dooley Reubin	200	Barren	Little Barren	Reubin Dooley	sa

Not only did the 1800 tax list help me figure out which Moses Dooley entered land in 1799, it also alerted me to the fact that I'm missing two other DOOLEY land entries: one for Moses Dooley Senr and one for Thomas Dooley who evidently sold his land to Moses Dooley Senr.



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1798 Dec 14

No 835 – We do hereby certify that John Railsback is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably

to an act of the assembly entitled an act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers & located as follows in Green County on the waters of Marrow bone beginning at Ruben Dooley southwest corner on a line of

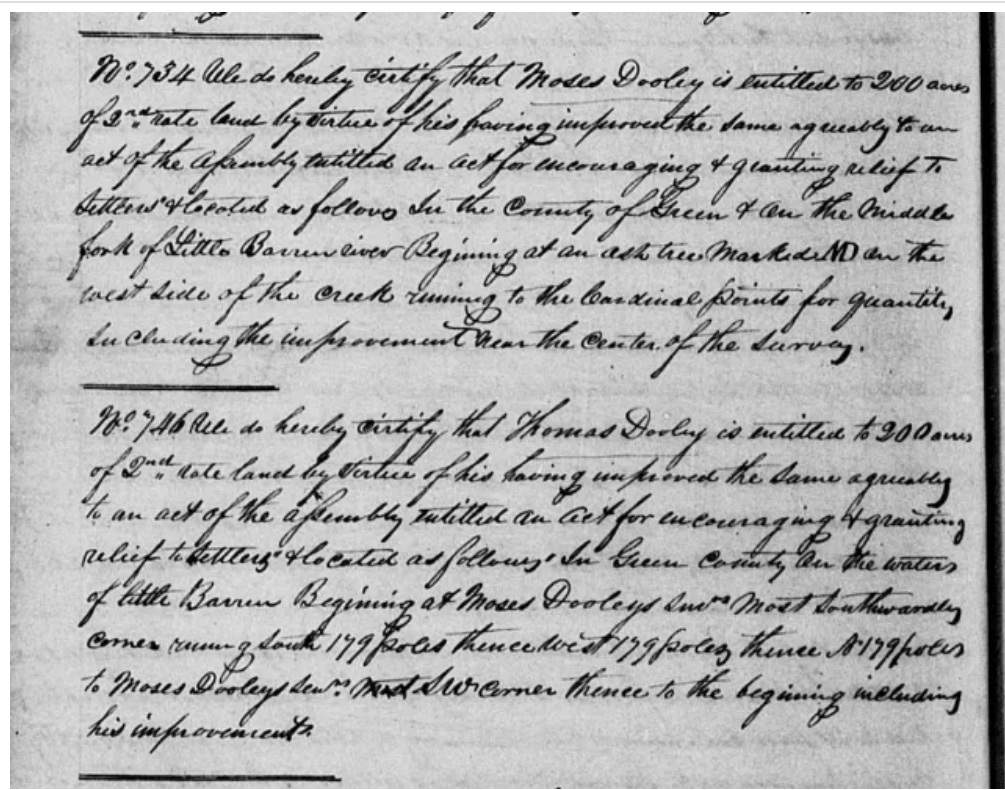
military survey running thence with the military line south & from the beginning with Dooley's line for quantity including his improvement.

No 734 We do hereby certify that Moses Dooley is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably to an

*act of the assembly entitled an act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers & located as follows In the county of Green & on the middle fork of **Little Barren** river beginning at an Ash tree marked MD on the west side of the creek running to the cardinal points for quantity including the improvement near the center of the survey.*

*No 746 We do hereby certify that Thomas Dooley is entitled to 200 acres of 2nd rate land by virtue of his having improved the same agreeably to an act of the assembly entitled an act for encouraging & granting relief to settlers & located as follows In Green county on the waters of **little Barren** beginning at Moses Dooleys senr most southwardly corner running south 179 poles then west 179 poles thence N 179 poles to Moses Dooleys Senr most SW corner thence to the beginning including his improvements.*

KENTUCKY, GREEN COUNTY. LAND ENTRY BOOKS, 1780-1898, 1908, 1918. FILM #1877097 DGS 8272154. MOSES DOOLEY SENR, DEC 1798; PAGE 114; DIGITIZED IMAGES, FAMILYSEARCH [HTTP://WWW.FAMILYSEARCH.ORG](http://www.familysearch.org) : VIEWED ONLINE 17 NOVEMBER 2022.



These land entries place the Dooley family in the southern part of Kentucky prior to 1800. They provide another clue about the migration of my CRAWFORD FAN club.

Friday Find

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 2, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, WARREN COUNTY

Do you have file cabinets in your home office? Are they full of paper to support your genealogy research? Unfortunately, I have to admit that I have three file drawers full of paper documents plus two book cases of notebooks full of documents. Shortly after my retirement, I read a blog post by Dick Eastman promoting going paperless with my genealogy research. (See his post, [Your Guide to a Paperless Life Today](#)) Since that time, I've been trying to convert my paper files to digital.

Today's Friday Find comes from one of those digital files: the probate record of William C. Crawford of Warren County, Indiana.



*Warren County Indiana
Probate File 35*

Estate of William C. Crawford

*The State of Indiana
Warren County*

*I, James H. Crawford swear that I will faithfully
discharge the duties of my trust as Administrator
of the estate of William C Crawford deceased,
according to law, so help me God*

James H Crawford

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this
23 day of November A.D. 1860
Clerk*

*State of Indiana, Warren County:
I, Nelson G. Crawford, swear that I am worth
over and above my indebtedness, sixteen hundred
dollars as I believe so help me, God*

Nelson G. Crawford

*Subscribed and sworn to before me this
16 day of November A.D. 1860
Clerk*

*State of Indiana, Warren County:
I, Mary E Crawford swear that I am worth,
over and above my indebtedness three hundred
Dollars, as I believe so help me God*

Mary E Crawford

*Subscribed and sworn to before me, this
16 day of Nov A.D. 1860
H R Pomeroy Clerk*

*Know All Men, That we James H Crawford
Nelson G. Crawford and Mary E Crawford
are found, unto the State of Indiana, in the penal sum of
sixteen hundred Dollars
for the payment of which we jointly and severally bind ourselves
our heirs, executors and administrators.
Sealed and dated the 16 day of November A.D. 1860*

The condition of the Above Obligation is, that if the above bound James H Crawford shall faithfully discharge the duties of his as Administrator of the estate of William C Crawford deceased, according to law, then the above obligation to be void, else to remain in full force.

James H Crawford (seal)

Nelson G Crawford (seal)

Mary E Crawford (seal)

by me

this 16 day of November A.D. 1860

Henry R Pomeroy Clerk

I Henry R Pomeroy Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Warren in the State of Indiana, do hereby certify that administration of the estate of William C Crawford late of Warren County, deceased; who died intestate, is granted to James H Crawford and the said James H Crawford having qualified and given bond as such administrator ___ is duly authorized to take upon himself the administration of such estate according to law

Witness my hand, and Seal of said Court

this 23 day of November 1860

Henry R Pomeroy Clerk C.C.F.

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James H Crawford administrator of the estate of William C Crawford deceased

made the following account in said estate

To wit

Balance of my hand as per account

Feb 26th 1862 \$434.02

since filing the above I have

the following sums, to wit

of & Briggs \$100.00

of I B Mattis Principal \$54.55

Interest \$ 5.04

of Steven D Briggs \$20.0

Of Absalain Slump \$ 560

Of & Briggs July 21st 1826 \$100.00

of George Tyler \$ 0.80

of N G Crawford principal \$28.90

of N G Crawford interest \$ 2.81

Total amount received \$848.80

I claim for the following

sums paid out to wit

To for No 16 419.75

To Nelson G. Crawaford for Bonds No 17 \$300.00

to paid for taxes per receipt \$ 5.53

Total amound paid out \$ 825.28

Balance in my hands

of the received as above \$ 23.52

I, James Crawford swear that the above

acct current is me & so

me

James H Crawford

Subscribed & sworn before me this

11 day Aug 1862

H B Pomeroy LR

Thomas Bryant Dep

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Sale Bill Sold by Sheets & Braden Indianapolis, Ind.

*Account of the Sale of the Personal Property
of William C Crawford, deceased, sold by James H Crawford
at the late residence of the decedent. at Public Sale, on the 22 day
of December, 1862*

No. as on the Inventory

Name of articles Amt sold for To Whom Sold cash or surety

1one stone churn .30 Harvey Reddick J c Lincoln

11 One kitchen table .15 Alexander Marsh Cash

13 Two smoothing Irons .75 James Abezellen Cash

14 One set of Harness 19.25J oseph McAlister Christian Gunn

17 Two buckets & basket .85 George C Tyler W Lawer

18 Two axes & hatchet 1.15 Joel Briggs Cash

17 One Kettle 3.25 Samuel Mathes Isaac Chrisman

three of stove pip 1.05 Joel Briggs Cash

22 two piles of Wood 1.65 Harvey Raddick J C Lincoln

21 Scythe and .25 David Wands Cash

23 One lot of Chickens 2.40 Henry Cozad Cash

Three hundred ears seed corn 1.05 Nelson G Crawford J C Lincoln

24 Three hundred ears seed corn 1.05 Joseph McAlister C Gunn

Balance of Seed Corn 1.30 Nicholas Barwich Cash

25 one third barrel of Pickels 1.10 Franklin Barwick W Lawer

26 a third barrel of salt .75 Nelson G Crawford J C Lincoln

27 One pan of oil .55 Samuel MathisI saac Chrisman

27 One grey Barrel Box .50 Franklin Barwic W Lawer

28 & Scoop Shovel 1.55 Franklin Barwick W Lawer

29 ? 8.25 Joseph McAlister C Gunn

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No. Item Amount To Whom Sold Cash or Surety

31 Lot of Lumber 1.20 Cash

32 Lard, Can 1.20 Harvey ReddickJ C Lincoln

33 Hey Riggin .80 Nelson G Crawford J C Lincoln

34 Corn Cover and Trace chain .50 Nelson G Crawford J C Lincoln

35 Shovel Plow 3.05 Franklin Barwick W Lawer

36 One Tow horse plow 10.85 Franklin Barwick W Lawer

37 Set of doubletrees 2.72 Abraham Ridner ?

38 One saddle & bridle 8.25 John Mellott Isaac Chrisman

39 One pided heifer 11.30 George C Tyler W Lawer

40 One red spotted cow 23.25 A. R Windso r Briggs

41 one sow and pigs 15.25 Harvey Reddick J C Lincoln

42 Two first choice piggs 12.25 John Griggs S P Briggs

43two second choice piggs6.75John Briggs S P Briggs

44 one white sow 20.50 Nelson G Crawford J C Lincoln

46 five second choice hogs fat 40.55 Abraham

47 one two horse waggon 81.00 Samuel Matties Isaac Chrisman

48 One brown mare 90.00 R. P. Adams

51 two stacks of oats 5.10 Absalom Sharp Adam

52 One stack of hey 7.20 George W. Smith J W Smith

53 one stack of hey 6.80 Richard Reddick H. Reddick

54 One stack of hey 2.70 George W. Smith J W Smith

55 one stack of hey 2.90 Benjamin Juda cash

56 one stack of hey 4.10 Martin mcAlister J McAlister

57 one of corn on north east part of the farm 139.49 Lower and Briggs A. Swisher

58 the south end of farm 122.27 Lower and Briggs A Swisher

Total Amount \$672.43

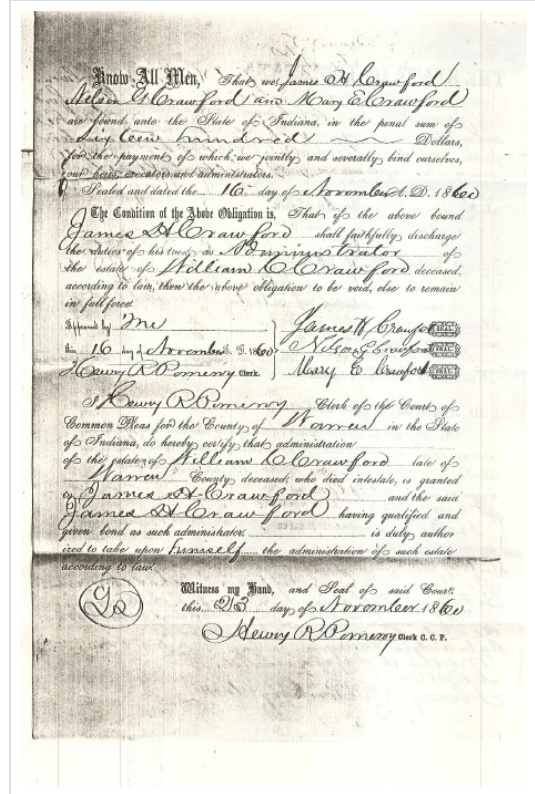
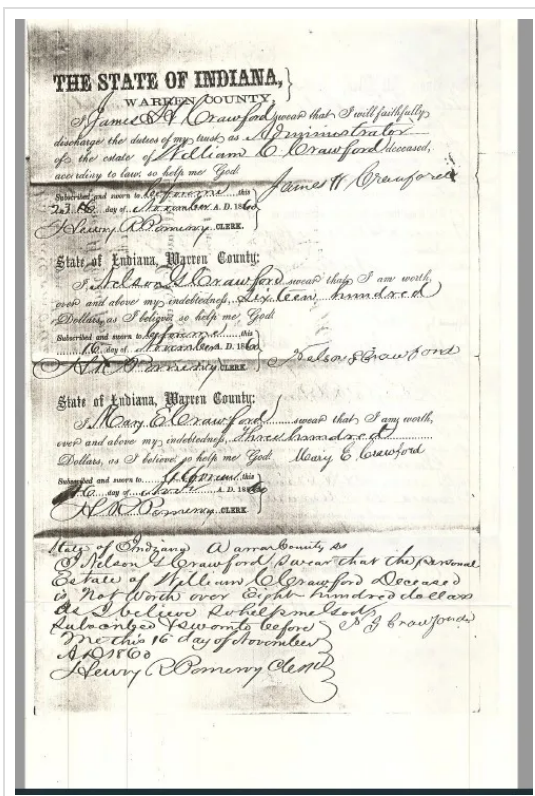
John C Lincoln, Clerk

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*I James H Crawford administrator
of the estate of William C Crawford decu8217□d
having volunteered in the military
service of the United States of America
for the term of three years or
during the war hereby resign
all my trusts as administration
of the estate of William C Crawford
deceased 11th 1862*

James H Crawford

**WARREN COUNTY, INDIANA, PROBATE CASE FILES, PROBATE FILE 35 WILLIAM C
CRAWFORD (NOVEMBER 1860), WILLIAM C. CRAWFORD, 16 NOVEMBER 1860; WARREN
COUNTY (IN) COURTHOUSE, WILLIAMSPORT, INDIANA.**



[illegible]

SALE BILL.

Sold by Stern & Beider, —Indianapolis, Ind.

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No. as on the Inventory.	NAME OF ARTICLES	Am't. sold for.		TO WHOM SOLD.	Cash or Svamt.
		Dollars	Cts.		
1	One Stone Churn	30		Henry Reddick	J. C. Smelser
11	One Kitchen Table	15		Alexander Clarke	Cash
13	Two Smoking Stoves	75		James McAlister	Cash
15	One lot of Drapery	19 25		Joseph McAlister	Charles Gunn
17	One Buckets & Basket	53		George E. Tyler	W. Tanner
18	Two Iron Stoves	115		Jed Briggs	Cash
19	One Bellows Three pairs of Hose, type and Buck Skin	3 75		Samuel Matthes	Isaac Chapman
		1 05		Jed Briggs	Cash
22	One Pair of Wrench	1 25		Henry Reddick	J. C. Smelser
24	Eighteen Axes	25		David Woods	Cash
25	One lot of Chickens Three Buckets axes Saw Corn	2 40		Henry Loggell	Cash
		1 05		Nelson J. Crawford	J. C. Smelser
27	Two Saws Two Saw Corn Buckets and lot of Saw Corn	1 05		Joseph McAlister	C. Gunn
		1 30		Nicholas Barwick	Cash
	One three Barrel of Pickles	1 10		Franklin Barwick	W. Tanner
26	One three Barrel of salt	75		Nelson J. Crawford	J. C. Smelser
	One lot of oil	55		Samuel Matthes	Isaac Chapman
27	One pig Barrel & Box	50		Franklin Barwick	W. Tanner
28	One lot of Lamp Glass	1 55		Franklin Barwick	W. Tanner
29	One lot of Pickles	525		Joseph McAlister	C. Gunn

Heartland Genealogy

31	16 of Sander	141	William H. H. H. H.	1000
32	100 of Sander	120	Harvey H. H. H.	1000
33	100 of Sander	50	Nelson of H. H. H.	1000
34	100 of Sander	50	Nelson of H. H. H.	1000
35	100 of Sander	300	Franklin H. H. H.	1000
36	100 of Sander	1000	Franklin H. H. H.	1000
37	100 of Sander	212	Abraham H. H. H.	1000
38	100 of Sander	825	John H. H. H.	1000
39	100 of Sander	1130	George C. H. H.	1000
40	100 of Sander	2325	A. H. H. H.	1000
41	100 of Sander	1525	Harvey H. H. H.	1000
42	100 of Sander	1225	John H. H. H.	1000
43	100 of Sander	675	John H. H. H.	1000
44	100 of Sander	2050	Nelson of H. H. H.	1000
45	100 of Sander	4055	Abraham H. H. H.	1000
46	100 of Sander	5110	Samuel H. H. H.	1000
47	100 of Sander	7010	R. P. H. H.	1000
48	100 of Sander	510	Abraham H. H. H.	1000
49	100 of Sander	720	George H. H. H.	1000
50	100 of Sander	680	Richard H. H. H.	1000
51	100 of Sander	210	George H. H. H.	1000
52	100 of Sander	290	Benjamin H. H. H.	1000
53	100 of Sander	410	Abraham H. H. H.	1000
54	100 of Sander	13799	Lower and H. H. H.	1000
55	100 of Sander	12227	Lower and H. H. H.	1000
56	100 of Sander	67245	Lower and H. H. H.	1000
57	100 of Sander	67245	Lower and H. H. H.	1000

John C. Lincoln, Clerk

Probate File 35 Samuel A. Frame Adm. Debonis Nov.
 Wm C. Crawford Decd. Dec. 1863 Crawford, Mo. 046
 PAF
 I James A. Crawford administrator
 of the estate of William C. Crawford decd.
 having volunteered in the military
 service of the United States of America
 for the term of three years in
 during the war hereby resign
 all such trusts as administrator
 of the estate of William C. Crawford
 deceased Aug 1st 1864
 James A. Crawford

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 3, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Courier Tribune

6 Jun 1940

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Waved Greeting from Airplane

Ralph Anderson of Hiawatha, who holds a lieutenant's commission in the naval reserve flew over Sabetha a week ago Saturday in an army plane. From Sabetha the plane flew to Oneida and south of Oneida two miles and flew low over his parents home. Lt. Anderson leaned out over the plane and waved to his parents who stood in the yard near the house and waved a greeting to their son.

Monday of this week Mrs. Anderson said her son had left Hiawatha the first of this week for another two weeks' cruise at the Fairfax airport in Kansas City, Kansas, and she expected him to be out this way sometime during the two weeks.

lieutenant Anderson does not pilot the plane, but his students in the plane with him, whom he teaches to communicate with the ground station or other planes by radio, both sending and receiving communication such as used by the police in many cities.

Lieutenant Anderson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Anderson of Oneida. He was employed at the C. E. Norrie electric shop before moving to Hiawatha.

Mrs. Anderson expects him to fly over Sabetha again just as he did before. He wrote his mother after returning to Kansas City they were unable to find a field suitable to set their heavy plane down in when they were here.



Gets Radio Flying Experience

George Ayers attended a two weeks training course of naval reserve officers in Kansas City, Kansas, the past two weeks. Ayers is in the same work as Ralph (Andy) Anderson of Hiawatha.

While Ayers was in training he took a day's trip in an army bomber with the pilot into Iowa, where they visited a number of airports. Ayers was at the controls of the two-way telephone set and was in constant communications with his ground station in Kansas City. He reported the height they were flying and their location as they flew from their home port to Des Moines.

Ayers and the pilot each wore a parachute. They flew from three to nine thousand feet high and Mr. Ayers says to look through the clouds to earth below was a beautiful site.

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Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 4, 2022

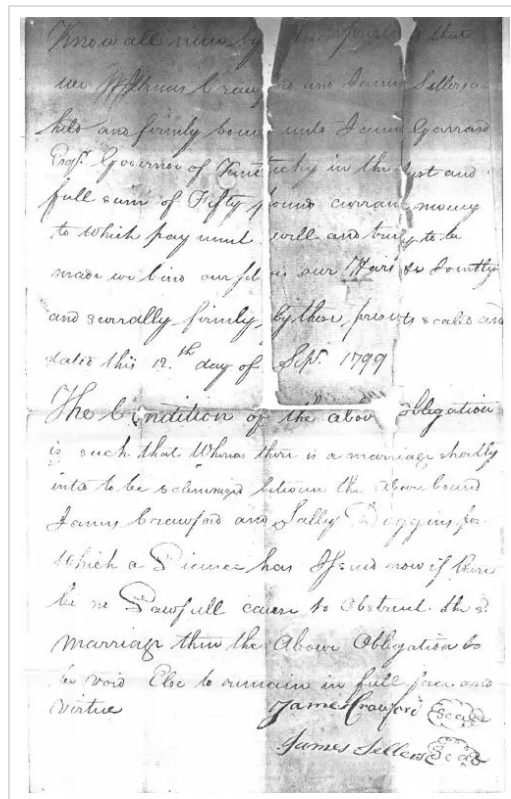
/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, GARRARD COUNTY, SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night

Time for Some More Genealogy Fun

A) Genea-Blogger Linda Stufflebean noted that December 8th is “Pretend You Are a Time Traveler Day.” Today’s challenge is: Where would you go? Would you choose a person, place or event in the past or travel into the future? Would you remain an observer or would you actively participate?” Linda suggested this challenge.

If I could time travel, where would I go? Well the obvious answer to me is to a place and time to help me with a genealogy brick wall. Thus, my first choice would be to Garrard County Kentucky on 12 September 1799. This is when my 4th great grandfather, James Crawford married Sally Duggins.



By being present at the time of their marriage, I would be able to ask them quite a few questions.

- Who are your parents?
- Are your parents still living? If so, where are they living? If not, when and where did they die?
- How and when did you travel to Garrard County, Kentucky?
- How did you meet?
- Where were you living prior to coming to Garrard County?
- What can you tell me about the history of your family? Do you know when your family arrived in the colonies? Do you know where they arrived? Do you know why they traveled to the colonies?
- Where were you living during the revolutionary war?
- Did you help the fight for independence? Why or why not?
- James Sellers witnessed the marriage bond. Why did you ask him to support your marriage in this way?
- Who are your siblings? Where are they living? Who have they married?
- Where will you be living after your marriage?
- Why did you move to Kentucky?

Questions for Sally:

- How did you meet Alexander Duggins?
- Where were you living when your sons were born?
- Where were you living when Alexander died?
- How did you learn of Alexander's death?
- Who was appointed guardian of your sons?
- Did you and Alexander have any children besides Henry and William?
- Did any of Alexander's family travel to Kentucky with you? If so, who?

Questions for James:

- Are you related to James Crawford who married Martha Knight? If so, how?
- Are you related to James Crawford who married Rebecca Anderson? If so, how?
- Are you related to George Douglass?
- Are you related to the SELLERS family (Nathaniel and his sons)
- Are you related to the DOOLEY family? (Moses and sons)
- Do you have a previous marriage?
- What have you been doing since turning 21?

I'm sure there are many many more questions to ask this couple. While records may reveal answers to many of these questions, it is a very slow process locating such records.

Thank you Randy and Linda for this though provoking activity!

Frustrated

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 5, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: GENEALOGY

#Twitter

Have you had an account on Twitter? If so, have you left for ‘greener’ pastures on Tumblr, Mastadon, Hive, etc.? I have been on Twitter for quite some time and still have an active account.

While I understand why some people, including some prominent genealogists, have chosen to leave Twitter, I’m staying for now. I’m staying because I have become frustrated trying to find alternatives that meet my needs.

For the most part, my use of Twitter or even Facebook does not involve me discussing some (boring) aspect of my daily life. Instead, I use social media to share and seek out information.

For example, this blog is configured to share new posts to my Twitter account. Because of the recent issues with Twitter, I added sharing to a Facebook page and my Tumblr account. Based on my stats, I know that the posts to Twitter are affective. Thus, I’d like to keep Twitter — but if most genealogists leave Twitter, then I won’t have an audience for those tweets.

Like tweets from my blog, a lot of my other tweets are generated from another source. I use Feedly to read various blogs. I often share some of the genealogy blog posts to Twitter. This also allows me to use my tweets to go back and find a blog post when I want to reread the post or share it with someone else.

As is likely true of most genealogists who have had a Twitter account, I follow other genealogists. This is one method to keep up with genealogy news. These tweets have made me

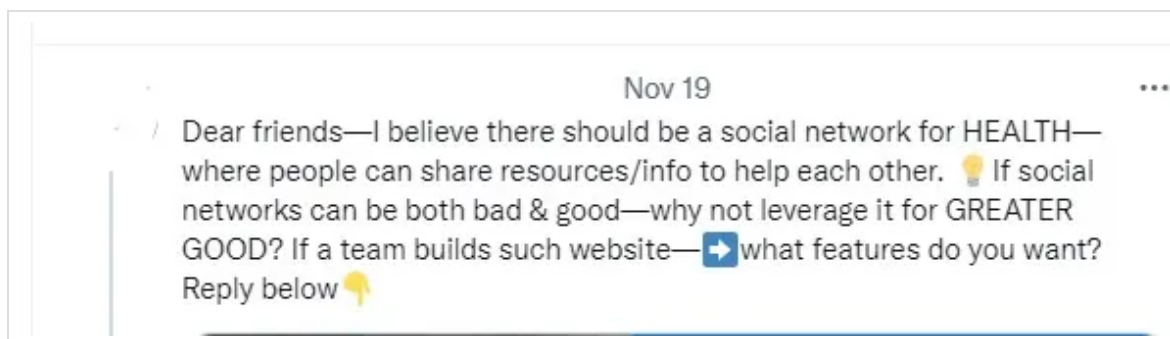
aware of events and/or projects. For example, it was thru Twitter that I became aware of the Honor Roll Project to transcribe monuments honoring our veterans.

However, my use of Twitter is not limited to genealogy. With an undergrad degree in science and a master's degree in library science, and over 40 years in public education, I follow a wide variety of people on Twitter. Over the years, thru Twitter I have

- followed tweets by reporters and members of the Kansas House as they debated school finance in the middle of the night
- followed the #KSwx hashtag to find about storms impacting my area of Kansas
- followed emergency management as they dealt with large wildfires in Kansas
- followed virologists around the world as they discussed the impact of the swine flu
- followed the unfolding news out of China and Dr. Li Wenliang as a new virus (think Sars-Cov2) began impacting the citizens of China
- followed virologists around the world as they discuss the impact of Covid and LongCovid
- followed a variety of journalists who challenge me to look at topics from different points of view

So, as Twitter threatened to implode, I started looking at alternatives. While some genealogists are leaving Twitter for Mastadon, my impression of Mastadon is that the various servers creates groups of users with similar interests or silos. While that works for genealogy, it makes it difficult for me to follow my variety of interests.

A recent post by a prominent voice about Covid asked the medical community about a network for Health.



Because I have not only followed this Twitter user for several years but learn from him with almost every post he makes, I responded to his post pointing out my needs.



When the hashtag, #RIPTwitter was trending, I decided to look at my options. Those options included the following:

- created an account on Mastadon
- verified I had an account on Tumblr
- added virology blogs to my Feedly account
- configured Google News to add some of the news sources I follow on Twitter
- updated the automatic sharing options on my blog

While I don't like the increase in harassment on Twitter, I still am an active user. I'm still a Twitter user because it is very frustrating trying to find alternatives to meet all of my perceived information needs.

One Name Studies

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 6, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: WIKITREE

Have you heard of the One Name Studies Project on WikiTree? I have to admit that I wasn't aware of this aspect of WikiTree until I saw one of their tweets about the one name studies.



While I have little experience with WikiTree, the concept of collaborating to research a surname is very appealing to me — especially with the Crawford surname.

And, YES, there is a CRAWFORD project with 24 subcategories, 43 pages and 83 profiles.

Subcategories (24)			Hide subcategories
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Australia, Crawford Name Study (0, 25, 0)	Crawford Y-STR Group J2 (0, 0, 2)	New Zealand, Crawford Name Study (0, 1, 0)	
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Canada, Crawford Name Study (6, 2, 16)	Crawford Y-STR Group R1b (1, 197, 4)	S	
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Crawford Y-STR Group B (0, 0, 2)	E	Spouses, Crawford Name Study (0, 2, 0)	
Crawford Y-STR Group E (0, 0, 2)	England, Crawford Name Study (1, 2, 0)	U	
Crawford Y-STR Group F (0, 0, 2)	I	United States, Crawford Name Study (28, 31, 5)	
Crawford Y-STR Group I1 (0, 0, 2)	Ireland, Crawford Name Study (5, 11, 1)	Unknown Location, Crawford Name Study (0, 4, 0)	
Crawford Y-STR Group J2 (0, 291, 4)	Italy, Crawford Name Study (0, 1, 0)	Unsourced Profiles, Crawford Name Study (0, 111, 0)	
Crawford Y-STR Group J1 (0, 0, 2)	N		
	Native American Descent, Crawford Name Study (0, 6, 0)		

Seeing subcategories for the various yDNA haplogroups immediately caught my attention. Since both of my brothers have donated their DNA for a Big Y test, I know our haplogroup along with the haplogroup for two of the other James Crawford lines in my files. Below is an image of the R1b-01A Ardmillan section of the Crawford yDNA project.

R1b-01 R1b-01 'supergroup'... All are under M269>L23>L51>P310>L1				
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R1b-01A Ardmillan (BY226182) and closer branches - A13336 > (BY21624 > BY226182) *OR* (Y88686 > FT344803 *OR* > FT99108				
	MIN			
	MAX			
	MODE			
203	Crawford	James Crawford b1772VA m1799KY d1854OH	United States	R-FT99108
204	Crawford	James Crawford b1772 VA m1799 KY d1854 OH	United States	R-FT99108
205	Crawford	Samuel A. Crawford, b. 1736, d. 1806	United States	R-M269
206	L. (Crawford)	David Crawford, b. 1709 Scotland and d. 1785, MD	Scotland	R-BY21624
207	Avant		Unknown Origin	R-M269
208	Crawford	William Nelson Crawford, b. 1829 OH and d. 1907 WA	United States	R-Y88686
209	Crawford	James Crawford of Baidland & Ardmillan d. 1708	Scotland	R-BY226182
210	Crawford		Unknown Origin	R-BY226182
211	Crawford	James Crawford b1770 VA M Knight 1793 KY d1833 IN	Unknown Origin	R-Y88686
212	Crawford	Edward Crawford, b. 1762 and d. 1826	Northern Ireland	R-FT344803
213	Barton		United Kingdom	R-M269
214	Humphries	Harry Humphries, 1874 Floyd GA	England	R-M269
215	Crawford	Edward Crawford, b c1770 PA or VA, d. 17 Jun 1826	Scotland	R-FT344803
216	Crawford	James Crawford b 1758 VA, d 1836 IN	United States	R-Y88686

I was able to add the Crawford DNA Y-STR Group R1b category to my ancestor James Crawford's profile.

Category: Crawford Y-STR Group R1b

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Crawford DNA Y-STR Group R1b

Welcome to the category page for the [Crawford Name Study](#). Here you will find information about profiles who have been identified as testing with a Y-DNA Haplogroup R1b.

How to add a profile to this grouping

If you have information about profiles who should be a part of this category, either

- due to direct Y-DNA testing or
- because they are documented as a Y-DNA Ancestor or Y-DNA Descendant of someone who has been confirmed to have this Y-DNA Haplogroup,

please add the text `[[Category:Crawford_DNA_Y-STR_Group_R1b]]` to the top of their profile (before the Biography heading)

By having the category on the profile, it added the profile to the list of 'Person Profiles' for the R1b group. This list of profiles also includes the James Crawford that married Rebecca Anderson (1758-1836) but does not include the James Crawford that married Martha Knight (1770-1833).

Orford, Co Sherbrooke, Quebec, Canada - abt 31 Jul 1969	Jefferson, Indiana, USA - 09 Mar 1923	Clark, Indiana, United States - 06 Jun 1934
Albert Crawford abt 16 Jun 1920 Quebec, Canada - abt 1972	Ira Lockhart Crawford 29 Jan 1884 Lewiston, Nez Perce, Idaho, USA - 1960	Lyndall Crawford abt 1912 Idaho - 22 Dec
Alexander Crawford abt 1793	Jacob Melville Crawford 25 Oct 1859 - 07 Apr 1862	Living Crawford
Alexander Crawford 1739 Chester, Pennsylvania - 05 Mar 1795	Jacob Walter Crawford 07 May 1903 - 30 Apr 1977	Michael Crawford abt 1825 Anson, North Carolina, United States - 22 Oct 1897
Alexander Crawford abt 1820 Trumbull County, Ohio, United States - 06 Sep 1846	James Crawford abt 1798 James River, James City, Colony of Virginia - abt 03 Apr 1836	Michael Crawford 1755 North Carolina - 2 1821
Alexander Crawford 16 Feb 1774 Chartiers, Washington County, Province of Pennsylvania - 27 Nov 1845	James Crawford 03 Mar 1790 Garrard, Kentucky, United States - 13 Oct 1856	Nehemiah Crawford 07 Apr 1754 - abt 18
Alfred Crawford 01 Oct 1861 Ghent, Kentucky - 13 Dec 1928	James Crawford 30 Jun 1863 Paulding, Ohio, United States - 11 Sep 1915	Newton Crawford 14 Jun 1897
Alfred Price Crawford Nov 1887 Lewiston, Nez Perce, Idaho, USA - 20 Apr 1925	James Crawford 27 Mar 1854 Guilford Township, Medina, Ohio, United States - 22 Mar 1911	Newton Crawford 07 Nov 1867 Rock Island Illinois, United States - 05 Nov 1949
Andrew Crawford 31 Mar 1878 Nuckolls, Nebraska, United States - 20 Jan 1958	James Crawford 15 Mar 1836 Decatur, Indiana, United States - 03 Jul 1921	Orville Franklin Crawford 08 Jan 1896
Andrew Crawford abt 1680 Ireland - aft 1783	James Crawford abt 17 Feb 1774 Washington, Pennsylvania - abt 27 Nov 1845	Otheo Crawford 1847 - 1850
Andrew Crawford 1767 E Nottingham, Chester County, Pennsylvania - 1813	James Crawford 1824 Trumbull, Ohio, United States - 1910	Otheo Crawford abt 1868 Linn, Oregon, U
Andrew Crawford 1740 Nottingham, Chester, Pennsylvania - 05 Mar 1795	James Crawford 17 Apr 1772 Virginia - 05 Jul 1854	Otheo Glenn Crawford 19 Mar 1886 Wall Walla Walla, Washington, United States - 16 h 1976
Andrew Crawford 15 Oct 1810 - 15 May 1865	James Crawford 11 Dec 1844 Ohio, United States - 24 Dec 1901	Philemon Crawford 16 Apr 1876 Waitsbui Walla Walla, Washington Territory, United Sts aft 11 Dec 1876
Andrew Crawford 04 Dec 1816 N Strabane Twp., Washington Co., PA	James Crawford 26 Sep 1920 Ohio, United States - 05 Aug 2003	Philemon Crawford 24 Sep 1814 Madison Jefferson, Indiana, USA - 01 Feb 1901
Antrim Crawford abt 07 Mar 1870 Dry Grove Township, Madison, Illinois, United States - abt 1930	James Crawford 1704 Pennsylvania, United	Philemon Vawter Crawford 30 Jul 1886
		Philemon Vawter Crawford 02 Nov 1882 Perce, Idaho, USA - Sep 1964
		Porter Crawford 25 Feb 1845 Seville, Medi Ohio, United States - 11 Jun 1932

Most of the other ancestors in the R1b-01A group in the Crawford yDNA project are also missing from this list of profiles. Since the yDNA project is publicly available, I tried to add the haplogroup, especially for my ancestor. However, the only person who can add that data is the person who donated the DNA. Thus, it is difficult to integrate all of this yDNA data from the CRAWFORD project into the WikiTree one name study.

While I haven't checked for all of my surnames, browsing the list I saw a page for BUCKLES but not one for Broyles (or Broils or Briles). I also searched to find one for CURRY.

These One Name Studies could help break down brick walls. Go to the WikiTree Category: [One Name Studies](#) to see if any of your surnames are on the list!

Pearl Harbor Account

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 7, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY, WORLD WAR II

Courier Tribune

15 Dec 1941

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Eye Witness to Pearl H'B'r

Saw Jap Planes Fall

The Pilots Commit Suicide

Fred Koelzer's

Letter Confident

It brings the Jap raid at Pearl Harbor even closer home to learn that a Senecan, Fred, Koelzer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Koelzer, was an eye-witness to this momentous event that marked America's entrance into the Second World War. Fred says the Jap planes come over — saw the Japs bomb American ships — saw Jap planes reel and fall under the fire of American guns — saw or learned that downed Jap pilots committed suicide.

But let the letter be recounted in order. It was written on Monday, day after the raid. It arrived here Saturday, fine time, considering the conditions.

Fred is working near Pearl Harbor as an electrician.

From his letter:

” *It is the second day of the ‘big wind’ but all is very calm and quiet. It is dark all of the time except when the sun shines. Then we have electricity but not at night. It is a bit tough for refrigeration and the like. I am working from 6:00 to 6:00 and will be, seven days per week, for some time. Wasn’t hurt — just scared a bit.*

I was on duty at the docks and had a close-up of it all. Saw one Jap plane go down in flames and another fall with one wing sawed off. Also saw the ships that were hit, just when they were hit. It made a person pretty — mad to know that our planes had been grounded on the first few shots. But believe me, the ground batteries and ships got into action. The Japs knew plenty well they were in a hot spot. I don’t know how many were shot down but they went back with quite a few less than the 200 they brought here.

Sunday night a very few came over but as the boys were ready they kept them so high they couldn’t do anything and we got two more. It’s quiet today except for reinforcements that are coming up from the states, and that’s no small number.

We are safer out here than in town, as we are close to a water pumping station.

One Jap plane that was disabled landed near the soldiers. When they went to take it, the officer shot himself and in the other officer cut his belly wide open.

It's no use to tell you not to worry, but we're safe and our boys will have those yellow-bellies cared for in a short time."

Co-operating with the administration's request to withhold information about damage and casualties at Pearl Harbor and let the Japs guess, little can be printed about that. But no one who reads Fred's letter will suffer a loss of morale.





Bell Family

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 8, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, WARREN COUNTY

Are you by any chance researching the BELL family? Do you know of anyone searching the BELL family? Or, would you happen to be doing research in Warren County, Indiana? If so, the Bell family is a puzzle!

In December 1858, William C. Crawford married Mary E Bell. In 1860, William and Mary are shown on the census living in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana.

21	Male	White	Married	6	0	Farmer													
25	Male	White	Married	21	0	Farmer													
26	Female	White	Married	24	0	Farmer													
	Female	White	Married	24	0	Farmer													
	Female	White	Married	23	0	Farmer													

According to the Find a Grave site, William C. Crawford died on 6 Nov 1860 and is buried in Warren County, Indiana. Family records indicate that William C. Crawford and his wife Mary E. Bell had a son, William Clay Crawford, who was born in January 1861 after his father's death. The 1870 census supports this relationship since Mary E. Crawford and a 9 year old Wm C Crawford are living in the household of James Bell.

1	Male	White	Married	68	10	Farmer	1852	5000	Penn										
2	Female	White	Married	42	10	Keeping house													
3	Male	White	Married	24	10	Son of James Bell			Indiana										
4	Female	White	Married	36	10	Daughter of James Bell													
5	Male	White	Married	9	10	Farmer													

A check of the 1850 census for Warren County, Indiana includes a household for James Bell that includes a child, Mary E. Bell.

To help locate William Clay Crawford in the 1880 census, I'd like to track down BELL cousins to see if he is living near them. Thus, I need to figure out these families.

Since George T. Bell married Eliza W. Foster, their descendants are my cousins with Eliza's father, Zebulon Foster being a common ancestor. Thus, I reached out to one of those cousins whom I had previously corresponded with to see if she could help. I knew we were related thru the FOSTER surname, but I did not realize that she descends from Eliza Foster and her husband George T. Bell! This cousin cleared up a lot of my confusion!

George T. Bell is the son of Thomas Bell. Thomas Bell is also the father of Mary E. Bell and James Bell. The three adults in the 1850 census record (James, Mary and Jane) are siblings of Thomas. Thus, the three children, George, Mary and James, are living with their uncle James and aunts Mary and Jane in 1850. This would suggest that Thomas and Melissa died before 1850.

I never would have figured this out without help from my FOSTER cousin!

Colorado Miner

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 9, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

Do you have any DNA results that cause you to want to dig deeper to document a relationship? Well, a fourth cousin of mine agreed to submit his DNA for a BigY test. His preliminary results are back and they may show a DNA relationship between our CRAWFORD line and the other CRAWFORD lines of Warren County, Indiana and Garrard County, Kentucky.

Since I don't want others to claim he doesn't descend from my James but from one of the others, I'm trying to put together documentation to support the link to Nelson G. Crawford, son of James and Sally Crawford. Unfortunately, this line goes thru Nelson's son, William who died in November 1860 when his wife was about six months pregnant with their first child, William Clay Crawford.

I do have the probate file for William C. Crawford that has his wife, Mary E. Crawford along with James H. Crawford and Nelson G. Crawford post bond toward the appointment of James H. Crawford as the administrator of the estate. (James H. Crawford was William C. Crawford's older brother.) But what I'm missing is documentation that William Clay Crawford is the son of William C. Crawford and his wife Mary Bell.

Thanks to my cousin, I have a photocopy of an obituary clipping for William Clay Crawford. This obituary talks about the parents of William Clay dying when he is young. Unfortunately, it does not identify the parents.

Newspaper clipping

Herald Democrat (Leadville, Colorado)



16 April 1929

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Death Took Good Citizen

*Wm. c. Crawford Passes
Away Suddenly from
Heart Attack Early Mon
day Morning — Body Will
Be Taken to Longmont*

Is Loss to Leadville

Because of his unusual good health and daily appearance in local life, Leadville was shocked Monday morning upon learning of the sudden death of W. C. Crawford, resident of Leadville for twenty-five years, prominent in local fraternal circles and well known thruout the community.

Death claimed Mr. Crawford shortly after 1 o'clock Monday morning at his home, 133 East East Eighth street. Mrs. Crawford was awakened by his heavy breathing and a few minutes later he had passed away with a heart attack. He was 68 years old.

Mr. Crawford enjoyed unusually good health throughout his lifetime and Sunday afternoon he had motored to Twin Lakes with Mrs. Crawford and his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Crawford. That night he had taken lunch with them and from all appearances seemed in his usual good state of health.

For years he has walked to and from the A. V. smelter daily in connection with his work as ore shipper's agent for local mining men. Saturday he visited the smelter as usual, making the trip down and back on foot.

William Clay Crawford was born Jan. 30, 1861 in West Lebanon, Ind. He was left an orphan at an early age by the death of his parents. On May 4, 1886, he was married to Miss Anna E. Paul in Brashear, Mo., and moved west in the early eighties.

He first settled in Aspen, Colo., where he began his career of handling shipments of ore from mining companies and individuals thru the smelter. After following this work in Aspen, for three years and making many acquaintances there, he came to Leadville in 1890 to follow the same occupation. Because of his reliability and honesty, he quickly enrolled practically all of the mining companies as his customers and for the past many years has acted as an agent for most of the ore that has been shipped to the A. V. smelter, both from the immediate Leadville district and from outside points such as Aspen Breckenridge and Gilman. In 1893, when there were smelters operating in Pueblo, Mr. Crawford moved to that city where for fifteen years he followed the same occupation which he had begun at Aspen. While in Pueblo he continued to handle much of the ore produced in the Leadville camp, besides that from other Colorado mining areas.

Because of his familiarity with all types of ores and his local connections with the smelter, Mr. Crawford for several years as deputy customs inspector for the United States government looking after ores shipped here under bond from Canada and other places.

For many years he was a director of the American National Bank of Leadville and when that institution was consolidated with the Carbonate National bank in 1925 he was made a director of the Carbonate American National bank, a position which he held down to the time of his death.

Having joined the Masons many years ago and taken numerous degrees, he was prominently connected with that order. He was a member of the Leadville Lodge No. 51, A.F. & A. M.; Leadville Chapter No. 10, R.A.M. and Mount of the Holy Cross Commandery NO. 5, Knights Templar.

The Masons will have charge of short services at the Masonic Temple tonight at 7 o'clock and the body will be sent on NO. 16 train tonight for Longmont, Colo., for interment. Funeral services will be held in Longmont Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Masonic Temple there.

Active pallbearers at the services here tonight will include William Harvey, W. E. Bowden, F. L. Smith, George Casey, E. P. Chapman and Charles Bargler.

Honorary pallbearers will be John A. Ewing, Jesse F. McDonald, Alex G.

Thomson, M. A. Nicholson. W. H. Cole, D. P. Bonner, Frank E. Mercercrau, Charles E. Mallow and C. M. Rice.

Mr. Crawford is survived by his widow, Mrs. Anna E. Crawford, two sons, Clarence Clay Crawford, Johnstown, Colo., and Paul William Crawford, Leadville, and two grandchildren, Clay and Ann Crawford of Johnstown. In speaking of the sudden death of Mr. Crawford, Fred L. Smith, vice-

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Death Took Good Citizen

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president of the Carbonate American National bank, said Monday night that he had been closely associated with him for over twenty-five years both as a Mason and at the bank and that he had found him to be a reliable diligent, honest and energetic citizen. In his capacity as director of the bank he will be greatly missed, he said, and his place will be hard to fill.

"He was a good father, a substantial citizen and well liked in the community," Mr. Smith stated. "In his work he was reliable, honest and capable. As ore shipper's agent, he handled ore from the Ibex property for many years, both while in Leadville and in Pueblo and in this connection he was always found to be honest and reliable."

E. P. Chapman, employed by the A.S. & R. company, and an associate of MR. Crawford for about twenty-five years, both in lodge and business relations also spoke highly of him. He was an energetic and capable man and well liked by those who knew him, he said.

"DEATH TOOK GOOD CITIZEN," OBITUARY OF W. C. CRAWFORD, NEWSPAPER CLIPPING, FROM HERALD DEMOCRAT (LEADVILLE, COLORADO) 16 APRIL 1929; CRAWFORD FAMILY PAPERS

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 10, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

1940 Army Tidbits

Courier Tribune

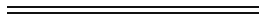
25 January 1940

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Will Receive Army Training

Lieutenant Ray Pittenger will attend a motor transport school in Baltimore, Md., for two months. Lieutenant Pittenger will report for duty on February 3 and will complete his training on April 4. Pittenger is a second lieutenant in Battery D of Sabetha. The training he will receive will deal with motorized transportation.

Captain J. w. Cavender reports this army training camp will accommodate 400 officers at a time. At the conclusion of each two months of school, new officers are called in to take the training.



Courier Tribune

6 May 1940

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Local News

Sergeant Wilfred Fienhage and Auburn Reddick in the army at Fort Leavenworth, were in

town Saturday visiting friends and relatives. Auburn Reddick was formerly enrolled in Company 1797 CCC.

Courier Tribune

20 June 1940

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Missing Seneca Boy Is in Leavenworth

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tate received word Tuesday, their son, Moses is with a sister of Mrs. Tate in Leavenworth where he went last Thursday. He is trying to join the army and his parents signed papers giving their consent Tuesday. Moses caused considerable concern to his parents and friends last Thursday night when he took French leave from home and his job at the J. P. Koelzer Lumber Co.

Courier Tribune

1 Jul 1940

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There was a family reunion of the Ben Schmits family at the Oliver McQuaid home yesterday. The celebration was in honor of Wilbert Schmits, a private in the U.S. Army, stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington. Wilbert has been in service two years and this is his first furlough. He will be home until August 1st. Other relatives at the McQuaid home from out-of-town included Mr. and Mrs. Pete Schmits, Centralia and Miss Dorris Crouse and Ben Schmits, Jr., Renwick, Iowa.

Courier Tribune

22 Jul 1940

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Wilfred Ross, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ross of Seneca, has enlisted in the United States army and is with the 6th Engineers at Fort Riley.

Courier Tribune

12 Aug 1940

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To Army Air Corps

Leonard Koehler has taken examinations and is awaiting call to the army air corps. He is entering for training as an aviation mechanic and will be stationed at Randolph field, great air post of the southwest near San Antonio, Texas. His enlistment is for three years. Leonard is 22. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. John Koehler, northeast of Seneca.

Courier Tribune

19 Aug 1940

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Sergeant Wilfred Fienhage, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Fienhage, Baileyville, writes his people from Camp Ripley, Little Falls, Minn., that he is to be transferred to California. He has been in the regular army four years.

Courier Tribune

9 Sept 1940

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State Line

Writing to Pawnee City friends from Chanute field, near Rantoul, Ill., Robert Kerl son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Kerl, says he is being transferred to Scott field near St. Louis for further training in radio. Robert and William Price reported several weeks ago to Chanute field for training t the United States Army and Air Corps technical school.

Courier Tribune

16 Sep 1940

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Leonard Koehler to Air Field in Washington

Leonard Koehler, Seneca, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Koehler leaves for Topeka this noon and will start from there this evening for Washington state, where he will enter army air mechanic service at McChord field, near Bremmerton. Leonard applied some time ago and thought he would be stationed at Randolph Field, San Antonia, Texas, but was advised of the vacancy at McChord field and decided to take it. Friends gave Leonard a farewell party Sunday night.

Courier Tribune

19 Sep1940

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St. Benedict

Sylvester Skoch was to leave this Thursday morning from Topeka for Camp Ward where he has been stationed in the army.

Courier Tribune

23 Sep 1940

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Names in the News

Bert Sauers, son of Mrs. Joe Berger, Centralia, who has spent seven years in the regular army has been rewarded with a promotion. He is now a ranking sergeant in charge of the recruiting office in Colorado Springs. He spent five years at Fort Riley, later was transferred to Lowry field, Denver, from thence to Colorado Springs. He is a grandson of Mrs. Ada Sauers, Havensville.

Courier Tribune

23 Sep 1940

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Wetmore

Lewis Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Porter, received his honorable discharge from the navy last March after six years service. He now has employment as an electrician at Pearl Harbor, Honolulu. Lewis received his electrician training in the navy.

Ernest C. Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Porter, who is now in the aviation division of the U. S. Army at Lowry Field, Denver has been promoted from corporal to sergeant.

Courier Tribune

23 Sep 1940

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St. Benedict

Sylvester Skoch, who was supposed to leave for the army Wednesday, received word to wait until Monday. He was to leave early this Monday morning, Sept. 23.

Courier Tribune

30 Sep 1940

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To the West Coast

No doubt many Nemaha county persons will want to get in touch with those entering their country's service. Sylvester A. Skoch, who joined the army is being sent from Kansas City to the coast and his address will be Private Sylvester A. Skoch, 7th Medical Bn., Fort Ord, California.

Courier Tribune

4 Nov 1940

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Names in the News

Leonard Stalcup, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Stalcup, Centralia, who is in the regular army is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents, notes the Centralia Journal. He is in engineering corps located at Fort Knox, Ky.

Courier Tribune

14 Nov 1940

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Bern

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Griffith received word from their son, Bob, last week that he had joined the Army Air Corps and has been at Hamilton Field, near San Francisco until recently, when he sailed for the Philippines.

Courier Tribune

21 Nov 1940

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State Line

Fred Amos went to Kansas City Friday where he has enlisted in the Army. He will be transferred to Arkansas.

Courier Tribune

25 Nov 1940

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Marshall county has sent four volunteers to the U. S. army at Fort Leavenworth. Jack Wells, Iring, is a featured radio and orchestra singer. Other volunteers are Walter P. Johnson, Vermillion, James M. Nolan of Frankfort and Ernest S. Williams of Marysville.

Courier Tribune

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Mr. Ginter has gone into active military service. He was a captain in the army reserve corps.

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Raymond Phillips was at home Tuesday and Wednesday. He is with the Army Air Corps at Tacoma, Wash., as propeller inspector.

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Mr. and Mrs. Burton Cox and son, Ogden, Kansas, called at the Joe Berger home Christmas eve on their way home after spending the day at Burton's parents west of Corning. They were moving Thursday to St. Louis, Mo., where Burton will take up his duties as army officer.

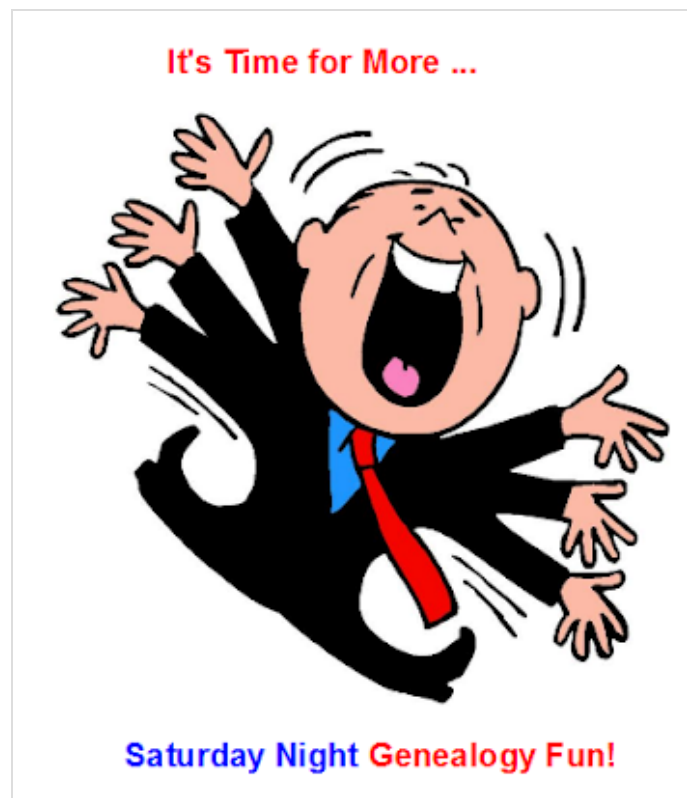
Saturday Night Genealogy Fun

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 11, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

It's Saturday Night



Your mission, should you decide to accept it (cue the Mission Impossible! music) is to:

A) Genea-Blogger Linda Stufflebean created a “December Genea-Meme” – so this is our challenge for Saturday Night. Thank you, Linda!!

B) Copy the 20 questions below to your own blog post or to a word processor, and answer the questions.

Here's are the 20 questions:

1. What is one genea-accomplishment this year of which you are proud?

One thing that I'm in the process of accomplishing during 2022 is blogging every day. Since I tend to write ahead, I have about 8 days in December for which I have yet to write a blog post. If you had told me as a high school student that I would be writing this much, I would have told you that you were crazy!

2. Is there a particular song that when you first hear it, tells you that the holidays are here?

I don't know that there is any one particular song that I hear on the radio or music services that makes me think of the holidays. However, when it comes to church, there is one song that seems to be the one song sung year after year at the start of the adven season: O Come, O Come, Emmanuel.

3. Share a holiday memory which is special for you.

I'm not sure that I have any holiday memories that are more special than others.

4. Has your family passed down any holiday stories?

The one holiday story that has been passed down in the story of the birth of my twin brothers.

- My Baby Brothers
- My Baby Brothers – Mom's Version
- My Baby Brothers – Continued

5. Which past genea-gift have you really appreciated?

While I didn't receive it at Christmas time, the genea-gift that I really appreciated was the gift from fellow faculty members at the time of my retirement. I received. This cash gift allowed me to purchase a yDNA test that has since been upgraded to a BigY test.

6. Does your family cook any holiday recipes that have been handed down?

While these recipes are no longer prepared every year, I have three recipes that were prepared yearly while growing up.

- Frozen fruit salad — my grandmother found this recipe and would bring it to Christmas dinner
- Sugar cookies — my mom had a sugar cookie recipe that I still use. Since I was diagnosed as pre-diabetic, I did not make any sugar cookies this year.
- Pecan Caramel Roll — My mother would make a variety of candy at Christmas time: fudge, divinity, nougat, peanut brittle, pralines and pecan caramel roll. While I haven't made this recipe for quite some time, it is still my favorite.

7. What is your favorite holiday song?

My favorite holiday song is O Holy Night.

8. Is there a holiday song that you wish was forgotten forever?

I can't think of one.

9. What is one (realistic) item on your Genea-Santa list this year?

While my wish for 2023 is somewhat realistic, it may not be something that Genea-Santa can deliver at Christmas time. My wish is to take a genealogy trip to the area of Garrard county, Kentucky.

10. What is one item on your not-so-realistic wish list for Genea-Santa?

Enough people completing BigY tests to find a common ancestor for my Crawford line and to show how descendants of Alexander and Mary (McPheeters) Crawford connect.

11. What holiday meal will be served?

In an effort to keep my husband healthy, we will likely stay home for Christmas. Thus, smoked pork chops and baked potatoes will be our Christmas dinner.

12. Will your family reminisce about past holidays when you get together?

Since we aren't getting together, I doubt that we will be doing much reminiscing.

13. Will you travel to spend the day with others?

With RSV, influenza and Covid-19 showing increases in cases in Kansas, my husband and I will likely avoid travel this holiday season in an attempt to avoid getting sick.

14. Do you have old family holiday photos or home movies that will be viewed this year?

Growing up, my grandmother would take 'movies' each Christmas. We would watch those movies over and over. Thus, those movies are the basis for many of my childhood memories. Unfortunately, the film deteriorated before we were able to convert it.

15. Did you break through any brick walls in 2022?

While I still need to do more research on the line, I found that my ancestor, Rachel Harris, is likely a granddaughter of Daniel Harris and Elizabeth Demarest on her father's side and Major Simon Gerrit VanArsdale and Rachel Banta on her mother's side. This takes those lines back to early New York.

16. Has your family shared any holiday recipes/activities or ??? which have become new yearly traditions?

Since my husband and I do not have children, our holidays are often different from families with children. However, we started ushering for Christmas eve services at The Church of the Resurrection in Leawood, Kansas. Since we were traveling to the Kansas City area to serve as ushers, we would sign up for most of the evening. This 'tradition' ended in 2018 when my husband had a severe case of pneumonia. Even though we had to stay home that year, I was able to watch the Christmas Eve services online. With Covid, watching the Christmas Eve services has become a new 'tradition'.

17. Do you have a 2022 genea-goal which could have been accomplished, but over which you've procrastinated?

YES! One of my 2022 goals was to 'back up' my blog. And I would get an 'F' for this goal.

18. Do you participate in any holiday activities with your neighbors?

Probably not.

19. Think – if you had to choose right this minute – which ancestor would you most like to meet?

This one's easy: JAMES CRAWFORD

20. What is one of your 2023 genealogy goals?

Even though I have completed my 2022 research goals, I've yet to write my goals for 2023. In my pondering of those goals, I keep coming back to how writing research notes helped me find 'holes' in my research.

- Research Notes Revisited
- Research Notes Using Narrative Reports

Thus, my 2023 goals will likely include creating research notes for my grandparent, great grandparents and 2nd great grandparents. Then, I will likely start working on updating

research of my 4th great grandparents.



2007 Trip to Bastrop Park outside of Austen

Sellers Mystery

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 12, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: GARRARD COUNTY, SELLERS

Do you ever send a request to a courthouse for documents thinking you know how all of those documents fit into your research? And once the documents arrive, you discover that one set is for a family unit not in your file? Well, that's the case with some Sellers marriage bonds that I requested from Garrard County, Kentucky.

While I don't have the Sellers surname in my pedigree, two Sellers brothers married two daughters of Rebekah Crawford in Lincoln County, Kentucky. Several members of the Sellers family migrate to Preble County, Ohio where two of my James Crawford lines resided. Thus, I'm working on documenting the family of Nathaniel Sellers.

Thus, I requested copies of four marriage bonds thinking that I knew how each fit into the larger Sellers family.

Sellers	John	Nancy Alverson	Box 5	Bond 176	1876
do	John	Fanny Brown	Box 6	Bond 1072	1877
do	John	Polly Beaumont	Box 9	Bond 1363	1871
do	John F	Rebecca Sellers	Box 5	Bond 84	1859
do	Samuel	Sally Ellis	Box 1	Bond 1080	1877
do	William	Buena S Tester	Box 1	Bond 80	1796
Seish	James	Rebecca Philbrick	Box 8	Bond 345	1864

Unfortunately, I don't know how the John Sellers who married Nancy Alverson fits. And I'm not alone. The FamilySearch tree does not show parents for John Sellers. A brief search of Ancestry trees also did not turn up the identity of his parents. Thus, I don't know how John fits into the other families that resided in Garrard County, Kentucky.



Sellers, John — Nancy Alverson — Box 5 Bond 1072 — 1817

1072

John Sellers

To

Marriage Bond

Commonwealth

\$7.25 cents pd

31 March 1817

31 Mar

Mar 31 1817

Box 5

back

*Know all my by these presents that we
John Sellers & Benjamin Alverson are held
and bound unto the Commonwealth of
Kentucky in the penal sum of \$50
current money the payment of
which will and truely to be made we
bind ourselves and heirs & jointly &
severally firmly by these presents sealed
and dated this 31 day of March 1817
The condition of the above obligation
is such that whereas there is a license
about to issued from the clerk's office
of Garrard County for a marriage
intended between the above bound
Sellers & Nancy Alverson now should
there e no lawful cause to obstruct
sd marriage then the above obligation
to be void to remain*

in full force & virtue

John Sellers (seal)

Benj Alverson (seal)

Witness: Alice Jennings

**KENTUCKY. GARRARD COUNTY. MARRIAGE BONDS AND LICENSES, BOX 5, NO. 1072,
SELLERS-ALVERSON, 1817; GARRARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LANCASTER.**

The 1799 bond for Samuel Sellers and Sally Ellis is for the son of Nathaniel Sellers.



Sellers, Samuel — Sally Ellis — Box 1 Bond 80 — 1799

No 80

S Sellers

to M Bond

Governor

20 Mary 179

Mar 20 179

Back

Know all mey by these presents that we Saml

Sellers and William Ellis do promise to pay or

cause to be paid unto his excellency James Garrard

Governor of Kentucky the sum of Fifty pounds curnt

money the pat of which well and truly to be paid

unto the sd Garrard & his we bind our selves

o each of our heirs jointly & severally formly by these

presents seald and dated the 20 March 1799

The condition of the above obligation is such

that whereas the above bound Saml Sellers has obtained

a license to marry Sally Ellis now should their

be no lawful cause to obstruct sd marriage

*then the above obligation shall be void to
remain in full force
Saml Sellers (seal)
Wm Ellis (Seal)*

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March the 20
one to certify that I am Willing that
Samuel Sellers shall marry my daughter
Sally from under my hand
Joseph Ellis (seal)
William Ellis
James Sellers*

**KENTUCKY. GARRARD COUNTY. MARRIAGE BONDS AND LICENSES, BOX 1, NO. 80,
SELLERS-ELLIS, 1799; GARRARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LANCASTER.**

The 1817 bond for the marriage of John F. Sellers and Rebecca Sellers identifies Rebecca as the daughter of James Sellers which would make her a granddaughter of Nathaniel Sellers.



Sellers, John F — Rebecca Sellers — Box 5 bond 1080 — 1817

*J Sellers 1080
to Marriage bond
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July 24 1817
Geo DRooney*

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Know all men by these presents that we*

*John F. Sellers and C Sellers are
held and firmly bound unto the
of Kentucky in the sum of L 50 current
money the payment of which will and
truly to be made we bond ourselves our
heirs & family and
by these presents seald and dated the
24 day of July 1817
The Condition
fo the above obligation is such that
whereas there is a license
3 to
issue for a marriage intended between
the above bound John Sellers & Rebecca Sellers
now should there be
no lawful cause to obstruct said
marriage then the above obligation
to be void & otherwise to remain in
full for and virtue
Jno F Sellers
John C Sellers (seal)*

*page 2 (front)
Clerk of
Garrard Court
To the clerk of Garrard
County Court
Kentucky*

*Back
July 24th 1817
Sir you will issue a
license for a marriage of my daughter
Rebecka Selelrs & John Sellers & oblige*

yours James Sellers

Test

Randolph Hall

To the Clerk of Garrard Court

**KENTUCKY. GARRARD COUNTY. MARRIAGE BONDS AND LICENSES, BOX 5, NO. 1080,
SELLERS - SELLERS, 1817; GARRARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LANCASTER.**

The last bond I obtained is for John Sellers and Fanny Brown. John is Rebecca's brother, son of James and grandson of Nathaniel Sellers.

” *Sellers John – Fanny Brown – Box 6 bond 1363 dated 1821*

Jno Sellers 1636

To M

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Commonth

7/ paid

28 Feb 1821

Feb 28 1821

Back

*Know all men by these presents that we John Sellers
and Thomas Brown are held and firmly bound unto
the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the penal sum of
L 50 current money the payment of which
truly to be made we bind ourselves our heirs &
jointly and severally firmly by these presents sealed &
dated this 28th day of February 1821*

*The condition of the above obligation is
such that whereas there is a license about to*

*from the clerk's office of Garrard for a marriage
intended between that above bound John Sellers and
Fanny Brown now should there be no lawful
cause to obstruct said marriage then to above
obligation to be void else to remain in full force
& virtue*

John Sellers (seal)

Thos Brown (seal)

Witness

Jas Hughes Letcher D.C.

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To the clerk of Garrard Court

*Sir you will issue a licens for a marriage
between John Sellers & my daughter Fanny
Brown & oblige yours — William Brown*

February 28th 1821

Polly x Brown

Thos Brown

**KENTUCKY. GARRARD COUNTY. MARRIAGE BONDS AND LICENSES, BOX 6, 1363,
SELLERS-BROWN, 1821; GARRARD COUNTY COURTHOUSE, LANCASTER.**



Clarence Clay Crawford

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 13, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: COLORADO, CRAWFORD

Do you have photocopies of obituaries in your files that don't have any documentation with them? As I'm going thru my Crawford files, I uncovered several obituaries that are likely from Colorado newspapers.

This set of clippings includes two for Clarence Clay Crawford and are likely from a Longmont, Colorado newspaper. Unfortunately, I can't find a digital copy of the paper and thus can't determine exactly which paper the clippings are from.



Community Shocked to Learn of Death of C. C. Crawford

The grim reaper again called in the Johnstown community. Clarence Clay Crawford, superintendent of the local sugar factory, passed away in a Longmont hospital at 6 o'clock this morning. Internal hemorrhages resulting from a ruptured pancreas were responsible.

Mr. Crawford has been seriously ill the last week and was rushed to the hospital Sunday.

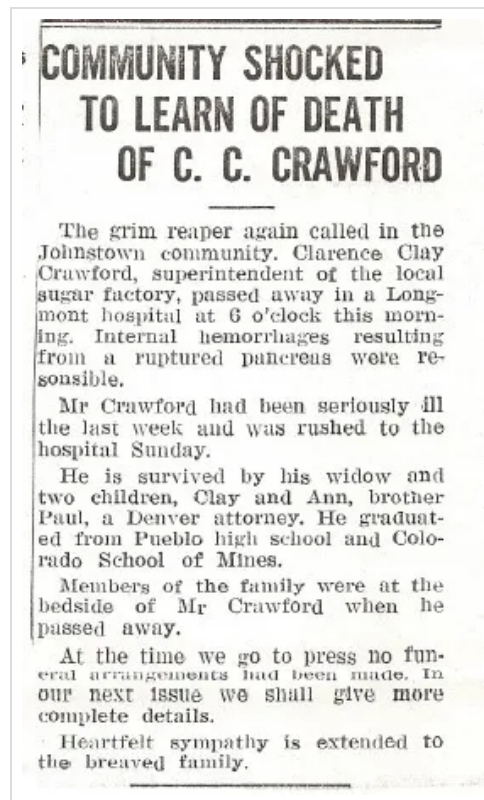
He is survived by his widow and two children, Clay and Ann, brother, Paul, a Denver attorney. He graduated from Pueblo high school and Colorado School of Mines.

Members of the family were at the bedside of Mr. Crawford when he passed away.

At the time we go to press no further arrangements had been made. In our

next issue we shall give more complete details.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.



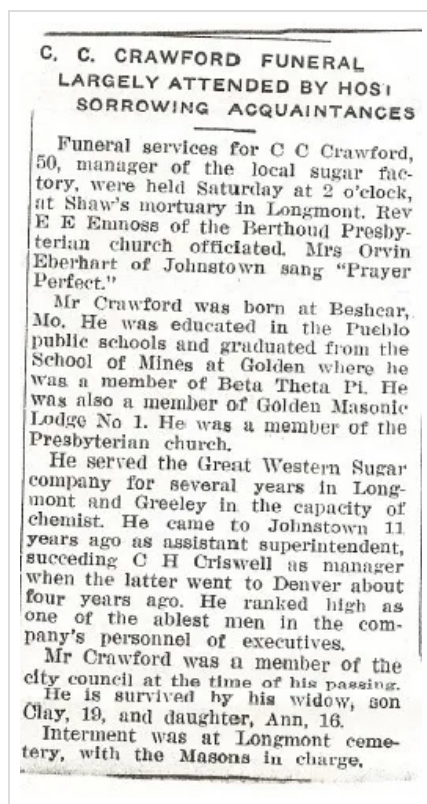
C. C. Crawford Funeral Largely Attended by Host Sorrowin Acquaintances

Funeral services for C. C. Crawford, 50, manager of the local sugar factory, were held Saturday at 2 o'clock at Shaw's mortuary in Longmont, Rev. E. E. Emmoss of the Berthoud Presbyterian church officiated. Mrs. Orvin Eberhart of Johnstown sang "Prayer Perfect."

Mr. Crawford was born at Beshear, Mo. He was educated in the Pueblo School of Mines at Golden where he was a member of Beta Theta Pi. He was also a member of Golden Masonic Lodge No. 1. He was a member of the Presbyterian church.

He served the Great Western Sugar company for several years in Longmont and Greeley in the capacity of chemist. He came to Johnstown 11 years ago as assistant superintendent, succeeding C H Criswell as

manager when the latter went to Denver about four years ago. He ranked high as one of the ablest men in the company's personnel of executives. Mr. Crawford was a member of the city council at the time of his passing. He is survived by his widow, son Clay, 19 and daughter, Ann, 16. Interment was at Longmont cemetery, with the Masons in charge.





Coincidence

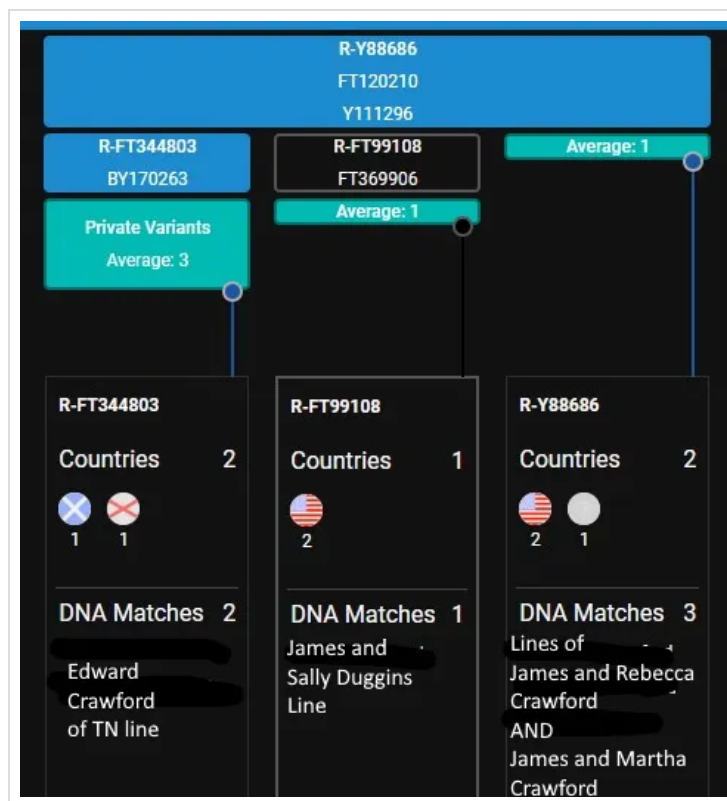
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 14, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD

Recently, a fourth cousin agreed to a yDNA test. The preliminary results show that he is a closer match to a descendant to one of the 'other' James Crawford lines that I've had to 'untangle' than to my brothers. At 111 markers, there is a genetic distance of 4 between this cousin and the descendant of James and Rebecca (Anderson) Crawford. There is a genetic distance of 6 between this cousin and a descendant of James and Martha (Knight) Crawford. Both of my brothers also are a genetic distance of 6 from this cousin.

I find these results exciting and possibly disturbing. Since the BigY results aren't back yet, we don't know how this will affect the haplogroups. Currently, the descendants of the two other James Crawford lines are in a haplogroup (R-Y88686) and my brothers are in their own haplogroup (R-FT99108).



Thus, these results could

- support a biological relationship between the three James Crawford lines that all go back to Garrard County, KY
- suggest a non-parental event
- suggest that our paper research is faulty and this cousin is not actually my fourth cousin

While I can't prove/disprove a non-parental event from the 1860s, I can work on the paper trail. Since I have records tying James Crawford to Nelson G. Crawford of Warren County, Indiana, I'm working on improving the documentation for Nelson's son William and his grandson William Clay Crawford.

William Clay Crawford was born in January 1861 after the death of William C. Crawford in November 1860. The probate records for William C. Crawford tie William to Nelson Crawford and Nelson's oldest son, James H. Crawford. Since I don't have any guardian records for William Clay Crawford in my files, I have contacted the county to request a copy of any existing records.

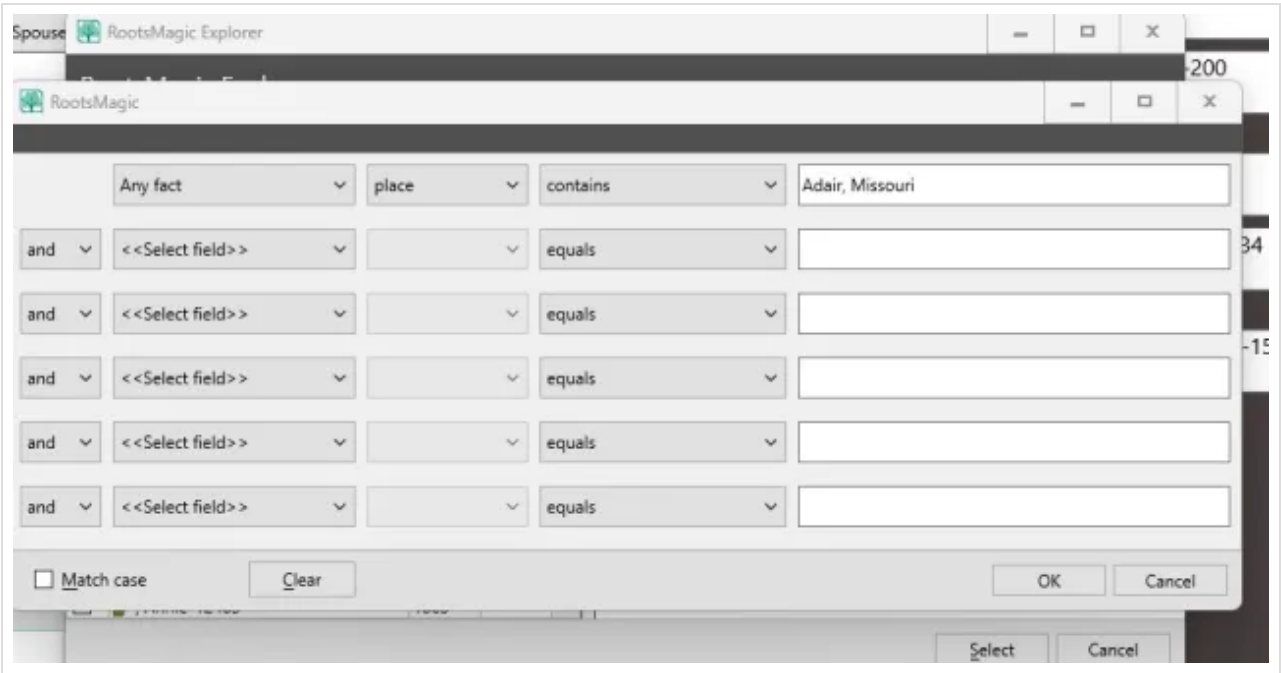
I'm also searching for William Clay Crawford in other records to hopefully find ties to his Crawford relatives. The 1870 census shows 9 year old Wm C Crawford in a Bell household along with his mother, Mary E (Bell) Crawford.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1	27	266	Bell James	68	10	10	Farmer	1852	5	000	Penn								
2			— Jane	72	4	28	Keeping house												
3			Crawford Mary E	24	4	20	Servant				Indiana								
4			Bell James	36	10	10	Gen'l laborer												
5			Crawford Wm C	9	10	10													

Since I haven't found William Clay Crawford in Warren County, Indiana on the 1880 census, I've been trying to find him with other family members or in Adair county, Missouri where he was married in 1886.

A search of the 1880 Adair County, Missouri census for the surname Crawford turns up 54 people with two of them born in Indiana. Unfortunately, none of them are William Clay Crawford. Hoping that one of these 54 people is related to my Warren County, Indiana Crawford families, I decided to see whether I already had anyone with the Crawford surname with a tie to Adair County.

To do this, I created a group in my RootsMagic file. Basically, I had RootsMagic search my file for any fact that had a place containing 'Adair, Missouri'.



This search turned up several people in my file with the surname CRAWFORD. One of those was Lucinda Crawford who was born in 1869 in Adair County, Missouri. The 1880 census search includes a Lucinda Crawford.

Lucinda Crawford

in the 1880 United States Federal Census

DetailSource

Name: Lucinda Crawford

Age: 10

Birth Date: Abt 1870

Birthplace: Missouri

Home in 1880: Pettis, Adair, Missouri, USA

Dwelling Number: 9

Race: White

Gender: Female

Relation to Head of House: Daughter

Marital Status: Single

Father's Name: Sam M. Crawford

Father's Birthplace: Tennessee

Mother's Name: Ellen Crawford

Mother's Birthplace: Illinois

Attended School: Yes

Neighbors: [View others on page](#)

Household Members (Name)

Age

Relationship

[Sam M. Crawford](#)

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Self (Head)

[Ellen Crawford](#)

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Wife

[Mary P. Crawford](#)

19

Daughter

[Jessee S. Crawford](#)

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Son

[Emma E. Crawford](#)

12

Daughter

[Lucinda Crawford](#)

10

Daughter

[Jessee R. Ashlock](#)

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Father-in-law

That’s where the coincidence comes in. This family on the 1880 census for Samuel and Emma Crawford is for the grandson of Edward and Abigail (Trowbridge) Crawford. Thus, this family

connects to the yDNA line with haplogroup R-FT344803.

Unfortunately, I haven't found William Clay Crawford on the 1880 census in Adair county. And I'm still not sure what caused him to move from Warren county, Indiana to Adair county, Missouri.

I also have not been able to find any connection between the Edward Crawford of Tennessee line and any of the James Crawford lines of Garrard County, Kentucky. Thus, it is currently just a coincidence that a descendant of Edward Crawford is living in the same area that a descendant of James and Sally (Duggins) gets married in.

Judge Paul Crawford

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 15, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD

Thanks to a cousin, I have photocopies of family obituaries. One of those photocopies is the obituary for Judge Paul W. Crawford. This informative obituary highlights many aspects of Paul's life, including his military service.

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San Jose Mercury-News

Jan. 18, 1959

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17 days after retirement

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Crawford Rites Held Saturday

The Shaw Memorial chapel was filled to capacity Saturday with friends and relatives for the funeral of the late Clarence Crawford, manager of the Great Western sugar factory at Johnstown. Many officials of the company from Denver and Johnstown were in attendance. An unusually large floral offering was sent by friends and business associates.

Rev. E. E. Embroff had charge of services at the chapel and the Masonic lodge had charge of the services at the grave. Mrs. Orvin Eberhardt and Miss Hazel Sundberg of Johnstown sang "The Prayer Perfect."

Palbearers were George Mellon, C. H. Criswell, Rex Miller, Dr. J. A. Jones, B. F. Jones and Dr. E. Stokes. The body was laid to rest in the family plot in Mountain View cemetery.

Mrs. Helen Crawford
BOULDER — Mrs. Helen Brown Crawford of 3176 Fourth

C. CRAWFORD FUNERAL
LARGELY ATTENDED BY 700

JUDGE CRAWFORD
... Career ends

A similar obituary was found on Newspapers.com from The Los Gatos Times – Saratoga Observer.



Los Gatos Times – Saratoga Observer

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Newspapers.com

Judge Crawford succumbs

Paul W. Crawford

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When the judicial district, which includes Los Gatos, Saratoga and Campbell was formed, Crawford was elected to the post of judge.

Because of the series of illnesses, he was not a candidate in the 1958

election. He was succeeded January 1 by R. W. Rhodes of Saratoga. Crawford was a member of the American Legions since its formation in 1919. HE was Grand Chef de Gare of Grand Vulture of Colorado, 40 et 8. He was a member of Santa Clara Valley Shrine Club. Private funeral services were held this afternoon at Place Funeral Home in Los Gatos.

"JUDGE CRAWFORD SUCCUMBS," LOS GATOS TIMES-SARATOGA OBSERVER (LOS GATOS, CA), 19 JANUARY 1959, PAGE 1; DIGITAL IMAGES, NEWSPAPERS.COM (WWW.NEWSPAPERS.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 1 DECEMBER 2022).



Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 16, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD

When I was fortunate enough to have my James Crawford research analyzed, I was told that the answer to my brick wall was likely in my files. And it may be — but I haven't discovered it yet. However, while digging thru my files to document a lineage of a 4th cousin, I came across a photocopy of a letter that he had sent me in 1997 that helps support our contention that he descends from Nelson G. Crawford.

This letter was written by Nelson's oldest son, James H. Crawford to his nephew William Clay Crawford. Below is my cousin's transcription of the letter:

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Dodge City, Kansas, March 29, 1907

Dear nephew, (William Clay Crawford) 963

Your ????? to. lland. I am glad to hear from you. Your Grandfather Crawford lived to be 56. Died with colic. Your Grandmother died about the same age with typhoid. From your Great Grandfather Crawford lived until the age of 72 and died with sunstroke. Your Great Grandmother Crawford lived 78-don't remember what caused here death. Your Grandparents were born in Ohio and died in Warren County, Indiana (W. Lebanon?). Your Great Grandparents moved from Kentucky and died in southern Ohio. Your Great great grandparents came from Scotland and are buried in Kentucky not far from Lexington. You are of a strong hearty people and ought to live to be an old man with proper care of your heal th. I am in only tolerable health myself. I am muscular paralysis. Will stop off and see you and family and next time I am through if possible. Kindly regards to your family.

*From your affectionate uncle,
J.H. Crawford
(James H. Crawford)*

**JAMES H. CRAWFORD, (DODGE CITY, KANSAS) TO NEPHEW (WILLIAM C. CRAWFORD),
LETTER, 1907; CRAWFORD FAMILY PAPERS, PRIVATELY HELD BY JAMES PAUL
CRAWFORD. , COLORADO, 2022. PHOTOCOPY SENT TO MARCIA CRAWFORD
PHILBRICK.**

So who are the grandparents and great-grandparents referred to in the letter?

- Grandfather: Nelson G. Crawford (1808-1864) – aged 56 when he died / born Ohio / died Warren County IN
- Grandmother: Marth (Smith) Crawford (1815-1871)- aged 56 when she died
- Great-grandfather: James Crawford (1772-1854) – aged 82 when he died / married Garrard County KY / died Preble County, OH
- Great-grandmother: Sally (Smith) Crawford (1770-1856) – aged 86 when she died / married Garrard County KY / died Preble County OH
- Great-Great Grandparents – ?

Even though I don't know the identity of James Crawford's parents, there are two clues in the letter:

- Came from Scotland
- Buried near Lexington, Kentucky

While these statements are likely based on 'family stories' passed down, there could be some truth to them. yDNA results do suggest a link to Scotland. Whether or not the immigrant was William C Crawford's great-great-grandfather or an earlier generation is debatable.

In terms of the burial near Lexington, more research will need to be done. However, it is possible that William's great-great grandmother was buried near Lexington.

- William Crawford's great-grandfather, James Crawford was married in Garrard County, KY in 1799.
- Early tax lists for Garrard County, KY include Mary Crawford who owned land on Sugar Creek in Garrard County. While no evidence has been found to link Mary to James, it is possible she is the mother of James Crawford.
- In 1793, Mary Crawford marries Alexander Moore.
- In 1797, Mary and Alexander Moore sell the land on Sugar Creek.
- In 1800, 1810 and 1820, Alexander Moore is shown on census records in Fleming County, KY (think near Lexington)
- In 1826, Alexander Moore marries Eleanor Wood suggesting that Mary Crawford has died. Thus, Mary Crawford Moore was likely buried in Fleming County, KY

Dodge City Kansas March 27
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 sunstroke your great grandmother
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were born in Ohio and
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Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 17, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Courier Tribune

Thursday, January 4, 1940

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Lester Auger Called to Service

Mrs. Tom Wherry received a letter from her son, Lester Auger, who is on the USS Mississippi off the western coast. Mr. Auger has had 30 years of service in the U S Navy and was retired for a time, when he was called back into active duty this last year. The USS Mississippi carries about 1,100 men and officers. The ship is 624 feet long and 106 feet wide. The guns fire steel shells weighing 2,100 pounds and 14 inches in diameter. Mr. Auger is in the supply department of the ship and is in charge of all the supplies carried on board. The ship has a modern drug store, where the men can buy tooth paste, shaving cream, soap, in fact, anything carried in a drug store or notion store, according to Mr. Auger. A stock of clothing and shoes is carried in one of the supply stores.

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Placed Under Peace Bond.
Francis Zelfer, farmer south-

Dear Santa

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 18, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: SATURDAYNIGHTGENEALOGYFUN

Calling all Genea-Musings Fans:

It's Saturday Night again –

Time for some more Genealogy Fun!!

Did you ever send a letter to Santa Claus?

I don't remember writing to Santa.

Did you ever visit Santa and “make a list?”

I don't remember visiting Santa or making a list. However, I do remember going thru the Sears Christmas catalog. I don't think we actually marked up the catalog, but we did talk about our 'wishes' with our parents.

Do you still believe in Santa Claus?

Yes, I believe in Santa Claus. I believe in the magic and wonder that Santa Claus adds to the Christmas holidays.

When did you find out the ‘truth’ about Santa?

I believe I heard ‘rumors’ from my classmates that Santa wasn't real. That Christmas, Santa brought a yellow truck with a ‘Michigan’ logo for one of my brothers. Since my father had

been in Michigan for summer school, I concluded that my dad brought the truck back from Michigan. When I said something along those lines, my mom asked me to keep quiet so that I didn't 'ruin' the magic for my younger brothers.

Pictured below are my brothers on Christmas morning. This picture is likely a year or two before I questioned my parents about Santa.



Killed in Plane Crash

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 19, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD

Have you ever learned of a tragedy in the family thru an obituary clipping? That's the case with one of the obituary clippings I received from a fourth cousin. The clipping detailed the death of his father and step-mother in a plane crash.

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Denver Post (Denver, Colorado)

unknown date

unknown page

photocopy of clipping

Clarence Clay Crawford

Jo Moore Crawford

Colorado Springs couple

Clarence Clay Crawford and his wife, Jo Moore Crawford, of Colorado Springs died together Sunday in the United Airlines Flight 585 crash in Widefield near Colorado Springs. He was 72, she was 65.

Memorial services for the Crawfords will be at 11 a.m. tomorrow in First United Methodist Church, 426 N. Nevada Ave., in Colorado Springs.

Clarence Crawford was born June 5, 1918, in Longmont. In 1940, he graduated from the Colorado School of Mines with a degree in metallurgical engineering. He received an honorary degree from the Colorado School of Mines. He served as a major in the Army Corp of Engineers for six years. He served on the Board of the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo and was the director of the Western Museum of Mining and Industry.

He was a member of the Garden of the Gods Club and Cheyenne Mountain Club.

Jo Moore Crawford was born June 17, 1925, in Balmorhea, Texas. She attended Texas Tech University. She was a member of the First Congregational Church in Longmont and served on the building committee. She was a former Cristo Arts and Conference Center and a member of the Garden of the Gods Club and Cheyenne Mountain Country Club.

He is survived by two sons, William Clay and James Paul Crawford, both of Denver, a sister, Ann Crawford Wagner, Boulder, and three grandchildren.

She is survived by three daughters, Laurel J. McLean and Dottie H. Stout, both of Colorado Springs, and Mary Leslie Gray, Tulsa, Okla.; two brothers John Moore, Pecos, Texas, and J. T. Moore, Dallas; and two sisters, Mary Helen Schmidt, Amarillo, Texas and Dorothy Harding, Sinton, Texas.

Included with the obituary clipping was a photocopy of a portion of an article about the victims of the plane crash.



Unknown Clipping

no name of paper, no date, no pages

likely from a Colorado paper

article gives biography details for passengers of United Flight that crashed in Colorado Springs

Clay and Jo Crawford

Colorado Springs

Pueblo man of steel and his community-oriented wife were returning from a month's vacation in Hawaii on United Airlines Flight 585.

Clay Crawford, 72, who was described as a “steelman’s man,” was the former president of Pueblo’s CF&I Steel Corp. He retired in 1976. Jo Crawford helped raise funds for various community charities and projects, including Cheyenne Mountain Zoo.

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“He was a company man doing his job. But he was a fair man,” said Sniff, former president of the United Steelworkers Local 2102 in Pueblo. “If all top management was like him, it would be a better place.”

Crawford as born, June 5, 1918, in Longmont. He graduated form Colorado School of Mines at Golden. He served as a major in the Army Corps of Engineers. The couple is survived by three children.

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WORK, SAID CO-WORKER JIM McLaughlin. "I've never heard anyone say anything bad about her. ... She was just a good person."

McLaughlin said Gerdtz was returning from a weekend business trip in Houston. She was originally scheduled to arrive in Colorado Springs on a later flight, but for some reason changed her ticket, McLaughlin said.

Gerdtz had two daughters, Emily, 14, and Elly, 12.

Bob Geissbuhler
Vincent Riga
Colorado Springs

The pair were returning home from the Society of Automotive Engineering Exposition in Detroit. Both worked at Superflow, a high-tech firm listed as one of the 500 fastest-growing private companies in the nation by *Inc. Magazine*.

Geissbuhler was vice president of sales; Riga, an elder in the Woodman Valley Chapel, was a sales representative. When he was a deacon at the chapel, his specialty was to help members deal with illness and death.

Bill Crabb
Colorado Springs

A marriage and family counselor, Bill Crabb wasn't supposed to be on Flight 585.

He was scheduled to return to

A section of the United 737 that crashed Sunday in Colorado Springs is hoisted. Pieces of the plane, which crashed in

This report was written by Ann Camahan, Thaddeus Hemlock, Dan Luzadder, Gary Massaro, Michael Mehlre and Associated Press.

Colorado Springs later that night after attending a pastoral conference in Atlanta, said Ginny Curtis, a close friend. But when he finished his convention work early, he exchanged his ticket for an earlier return trip — his wife, Phoebe, was anxiously waiting for him at Colorado Springs Municipal Airport.

Crabb was an "outgoing, intense man who was very interested in his work," Curtis said. "He was very family-oriented. ... his children adored him."

The Crabbs have a son and a daughter. Bill Crabb's brother, Larry, has written numerous books on Christian counseling.

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Dr. Andrzej Komor
Colorado Springs

The Warsaw, Poland, native, a biomechanics specialist for the U.S. Olympic Training Center, was returning to Colorado Springs from Texas A&M in College Station, where he had been conducting cycling motion experiments in the university's wind tunnel.

Sarah Smith, head of the sports biomechanics at the USOC, who recruited him last September, called Komor "irreplaceable."

"It is a rough estimate, but I

would say there were 50 or fewer people in the world who had his kind of expertise," she said.

He specialized in computer modeling, simulating conditions that athletes might face in competition to help them learn to adapt their body position to those conditions.

"One of the ironies is that he developed his expertise in the field from studying aircraft engineering," Smith said. She said he would use computer modeling to study "worst-case scenarios that aircraft might face and how to keep them from happening."

Herald Holding
Colorado Springs

Last week, Gary Church, an electrical engineer, was working on a project with architect Herald Holding. Today, Holding is dead, and Church is stunned.

"It's just a very immediate sense of loss," said Church about the death of the 59-year-old president of Colorado Springs Holding

See **VICTIMS** on 15

A search of Newspapers.com for the CRAWFORD surname and the date of the crash turned up quite a few articles from across the country. Many of these articles were about the plane crash and listed the passengers. One Colorado article gave a bit more information about Clay Crawford.

” *The Daily Sentinel (Grand Junction, CO)*
March 5, 1991
page 16

Jet-crash victims varied in talents

Associated Press

Colorado Springs — A bank employee who had won a trip to Hawaii in a sales contest and the coach of the state high school championship hockey team were among 25 victims of the United Airlines Flight 585 crash near Colorado Springs, friends and employers said Monday.

Thirteen of the victims of Sunday's crash lived in Colorado Springs. The dead included the former president of CF&I Steel Corp. in Pueblo and his

wife, and three men who worked on U.S. Olympic Committee programs. Paula McGilvra, who turned 43 last Friday and was the mother of two children, worked at Central Bank on Academy Boulevard as a consumer product officer, bank spokesman Karen Hedgecorth said. McGilvra was returning from Hawaii with her boyfriend, Fred Hoffman, 40, who worked for an oil and gas distribution company. McGilvra had two children, Shannon, 11, and Shawn, 14. Her ex-husband, Jack McGilvra of Vail, told a reporter he “just had a feeling to call home” Sunday afternoon and he learned about the crash from friends who were caring for the children.

Air Force Capt. Kevin Kodalen, who was stationed at Peterson Air Force Base coached the Cheyenne Mountain High School hockey team, which won state championships in all four years of his tenure. Kodalen was returning from a trip to Strategic Air Command Headquarters near Omaha when the plane crashed.

“He was like a father to everyone,” said senior hockey player Mark Sandoval. “He cared about what we did, on and off the ice.”

Former CF&I President Clay Crawford and his wife, JO, who were living in Colorado Springs, had been visiting friends in Hawaii and were returning home when the jetliner crashed on approach to the Colorado Springs airport.

Crawford served as president of CF&I for six years, retiring in 1976 to cap a 30 year career with the steel company in Pueblo. A well-known southern Colorado businessman, Crawford was a past chairman of the St. Mary Corwin Hospital Fund in Pueblo and the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry.

Mrs. Crawford, who was an active fund-raiser for a number of charities, has two daughters from a previous marriage living in Colorado Springs, friends said.

On Sunday, a spokesman for the USOC identified Peter J. VanHandel, 45, a senior sports physiologist; Andrezej J. Komer, 39, a sports biomechanist, and Dan Birkholz, 35, a coach and coordinator with the U.S. Cycling Federation, as victims of the crash.

A Google search for information about this plane crash turned up some additional information, including the report on the cause of the crash.

- [Crash of United Airline Flight 585 in Colorado Springs Remembered 30 Years Later \(CBS Colorado\)](#)
- [Barely a Trace: The Decade-Long Search for the Cause of Two Plane Crashes and 157 Deaths by Kylan Dempsey](#)
- [Remembering 29 Years Later United Airlines Flight 585 \(Fox 21 News\)](#)
- [Aircraft Accident Report \(National Transportation Safety Board\)](#)

William C Crawford

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 20, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: COLORADO, CRAWFORD, WARREN COUNTY

Have you ever had cause to go back thru your research to make sure the father/son relationship is accurate? Well, that's my situation with Nelson G. Crawford's son William. Since a descendant of William recently completed a yDNA test, I find that I want to verify the lineage. Unfortunately, Nelson's son, William, died before the birth of his son. Thus, records proving the relationship are difficult to find.

Below is the information I have on William, his wife, Mary and their son, William.

William C. Crawford was born on 28 Nov 1835 in Warren County, Indiana.

William C Crawford was the son of Nelson G. Crawford and Martha Smith.

He lived in Washington Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Jul 1850.

William C Crawford was listed in the household of Nelson G Crawford on the 1850 census. According to the census, William was 14 years old and born in Indiana.

He lived in Liberty Township, Warren, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1860.

William C Crawford was listed as a 24 year old farmer born in IN with \$2000 in real estate. His household included Mary E. Crawford, aged 24 and Ephraim Bremer, as 23 year old farm laborer.

William died on 6 Nov 1860 at the age of 24 in Warren County, Indiana.¹

He was buried after 6 Nov 1860 at West Lebanon Cemetery in West Lebanon, Indiana.¹

He had his estate probated on 16 Nov 1860 in Warren, Indiana, United States.

William C. Crawford and Mary E. Bell were married on 26 Dec 1858 in Warren County, Indiana., , ,

Mary E. Bell, daughter of Thomas Bell and Melissa Newell, was born on 8 Oct 1835.

She lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana in 1850.

She lived in Liberty Township, Warren, Indiana, United States on 1 Jul 1860.

Mary witnessed the probate of William C. Crawford on 16 Nov 1860 in Warren, Indiana, United States.⁵

She lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Aug 1870.

She died on 3 Jun 1880 at the age of 44 in Warren County, Indiana.,

Mary was buried after 3 Jun 1880 at West Lebanon Cemetery in West Lebanon, Indiana.^{13, 14}

William C. Crawford and Mary E. Bell had the following child:

11. **William Clay Crawford** was born on 30 Jan 1861 in West Lebanon, Indiana.,

He lived in Pike Township, Warren County, Indiana on 1 Aug 1870.

On 24 Jul 1885, he was the proprietor of Brashear Lumber yard in Brashear, Adair, Missouri, United States.

William lived in Brashear, Adair, Missouri, United States in 1887.

He lived in Aspen, Pitkin, Colorado, United States.

Between 1890 and 1929 he was an ore shipper's agent for A. V. Smelter in Colorado, United States.¹⁶

William lived in Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States in 1890.¹⁶

He lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States between 1893 and 1908.¹⁶

About 1893–1925 he was Inspector for the united States government looking after ore shipped here from Canada and other places in Colorado, United States.²⁰

William lived in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States in 1893.¹⁶

He lived at Precinct 17 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States on 1 Jun 1900.

In 1907, he received a letter from his uncle, James H. Crawford, about the family history.¹⁶

William lived at Precinct 2 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States on 15 Apr 1910.

He lived in Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States on 8 Jan 1920.

Before 1925 he was a director American National Bank of Leadville in Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States.¹⁶

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He died on 15 Apr 1929 at the age of 68 at 133 East 8th St. in Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States.^{15, 16}

He was buried at Mountain View Cemetery in Longmont, Boulder, Colorado, United States.^{15, 16}

William Clay Crawford and Anna Elizabeth Paul were married on 4 May 1886 in Brashear, Adair, Missouri, United States., ¹⁶,

Anna Elizabeth Paul was born in Jun 1865 in Illinois.²⁰

She lived in Precinct 17 in Pueblo, Pueblo, Colorado, United States on 1 Jun 1900. ²⁰

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Anna lived in Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States on 8 Jan 1920.²²

She died on 5 Sep 1935 at the age of 70 in Leadville, Lake, Colorado, United States.,

She was buried at Mountain View Cemetery in Longmont, Boulder, Colorado, United States.^{25, 26}

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Revolutionary Pension

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 21, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, FLEMING COUNTY, REVOLUTIONARY_WAR, VIRGINIA

Do you have multiple people in your file with the same names? If so, were they born in the same year and died in the same year? Well, I have TWO men named James Crawford who were born about 1758 and died in 1836.

Over the years, I have seen records for one man attached to the opposite James Crawford. Both have gravestones indicating they served during the revolutionary war. However, it appears that both may be claiming the same military service. IF so, that would explain why the DAR has closed one line for future memberships. The line thru James Crawford of Fleming County is still open for membership while the James Crawford line of Jefferson County, Indiana is currently closed.

I recently found an application for a military pension for the James Crawford of Fleming County, Kentucky. This application not only supports the DAR keeping the line open but provides information about where James lived prior to migrating to Kentucky along with an approximate time for that migration.



*State of Kentucky
Fleming County*

*On this day personally appeared in open Court
before the justices of Fleming County Court
now sitting James Crawford a resident of the
county and state first aforementioned aged 74 year
who being first duly sworn according to law do*

on his oath makes the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of an act of congress passed June 7th 1832 viz tha he entered the service of the United States in Botetourt County Virginia in the year 1778 or 79 (he thinks in 78) the first day of September that he served under Capt William Colbert in the regiment commanded by Col Patrick Lockhart immediately after being in listed the mouth of Big the he served the full term of 3 months the period for which he was enlisted and was discharged at Fort McIntosh by Col Lockhart that he was in no engagement during the period that he afterwards entered the service of the United States as a volunteer in the year 1780 in December in the State of Virginia Botetourt county that he marched to South Carolina under Major David Campbell and Capt Alex Hanley that he marched without delay having slept but one day during the march to join Col Morgan's rifle corps whose regiment he joined three or four days after the battle of the cow pens that he was in the the an

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my re four Cornwallis during the retreat at the ford of Yadkin river acting as a picket guard under Capt Hanby he was attacked and his Capt and one private taken prisoner the private afterwards escaping and two men of the guard killed and two wounded after crossing Atkins river he marched to Halifax courthouse in Virginia that he was discharged at that place by Maj Campbell herein been in no battle or skirmish other

than the aforementioned that he volunteered the last time for 3 months which time he previous to being discharged that he had un ten discharged both times has lost them both long since that know but one person in this count who can prove his service whose certificate is below annexed that he hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity except the present and that his name is not on the agency of any state. Sworn to and subscribed this 1st day of Apl in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three he as born in Augusta County Virginia he lived there he moved to Fleming County Kenty he herewith attached a \$30 bill which he
James Crawford
Jno McRoberts he knew the foregoing James Crawford while a boy that he knew him when he went into the service & when he reld but how long he served he don't know he thinks he went a second time but of this his recollection is not certain he hath known him for such years and his character is good he hath lived in Fleming Cty Kenty about 40 years
John McRoberts

U.S. REVOLUTIONARY WAR PENSION AND BOUNTY-LAND WARRANT APPLICATION FILES, 1800-1900, JAMES CRAWFORD, 1 APRIL 1833; DATABASE WITH IMAGES, ANCESTRY.COM (WWW.ANCESTRY.COM : VIEWED ONLINE 5 DECEMBER 2022). ORIGINAL SOURCE: NARA MICROFILM PUBICATION M804.

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my relations from Congress, during the
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man of the guard (Haily) and two arrived
after writing nothing can be reached to
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discharged at that place. Philip Campbell
having been in no battle or skirmish other
than the appearance that he returned to
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promised to being discharged that he had
time to change, both times his Capt. Haily had
long since that he was not in prison in
this country, who can prove the same when
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and not of such the present and that this
account is all in the agency of my sister -

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Crawford Bible

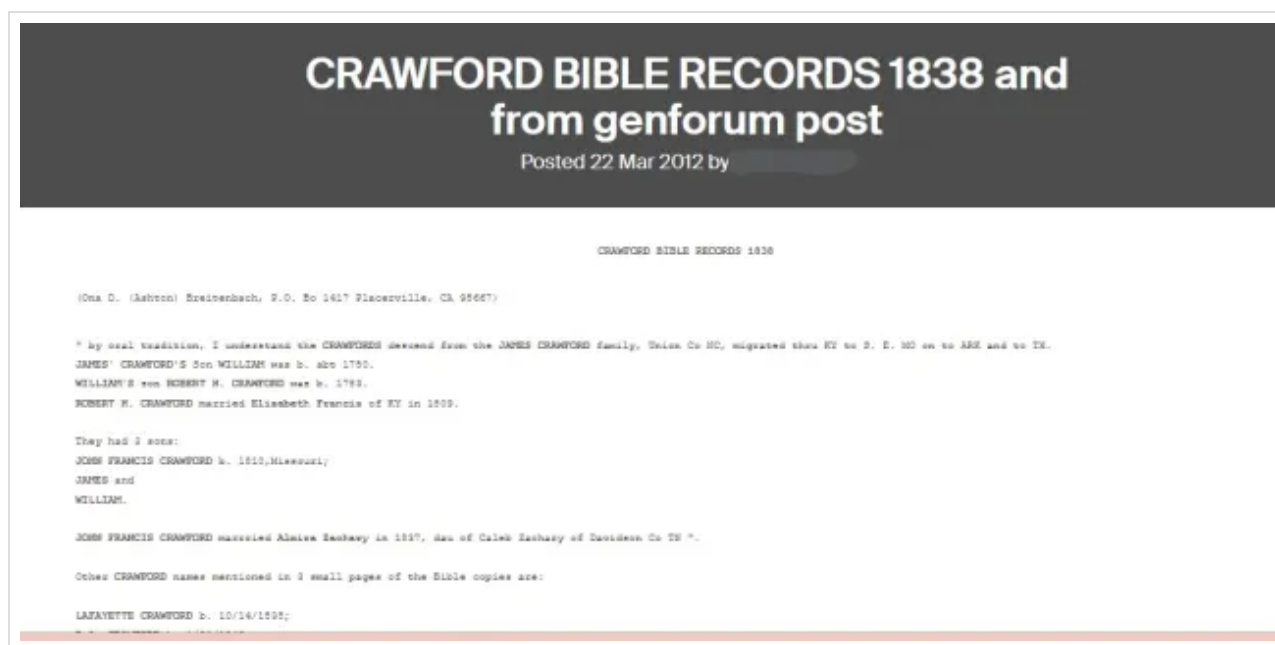
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 22, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: ARKANSAS, BIBLE, CRAWFORD

Do you have Bible records in your files? Are you excited when you run across mention of a family Bible? I was excited when I found a family story attached to William Crawford (1748-1809) that indicates it is from a family Bible.

The person who posted the story indicates the transcription came from a post on genealogy.com.



Thus, I tried to find the original post and what I hoped to be the Bible record. My initial searches were not successful. However, after looking carefully at the story, I realized that it was the combination of two different posts. The second part of the story provided the subject of the post.

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Using the subject, I was able to locate the post.

RE: CRAWFORD/ CHANEY BIBLE- I HAVE IT.

By [REDACTED] September 06, 2001 at 12:40:39

In reply to: **Re: Crawford/ Chaney Bible- I have it.**
5/24/01

This is what I have on the Crawford name. I am descended from Lockie and HARVEY OZEAN FARRIS, they are my grandparents. I never got to met them. You can email me at lennie@ellisenterprises.com

1. WILLIAM1 CRAWFORD was born 1750 in Western Va, and died 1807 in Mo?. He married ELIZABETH.

Child of WILLIAM CRAWFORD and ELIZABETH is:

2. i.ROBERT H.2 CRAWFORD, b. 1779; d. September 06, 1833, Pope, Ar.

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More About ROBERT CRAWFORD and ELIZABETH FRANCIS:
Marriage: July 24, 1809, Pulaski Co., Ky

Reading that post helped me realize that the information was not from a Bible record but from someone's research.

Since I couldn't find the first part of the story in the forum, I tried to see if Google would help. And, I found the Bible information, including images, in a 1979 issue of The Arkansas Family Historian!



The Arkansas Family Historian

Volume 17, No. 3

July/Aug/Sept 1979

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Crawford / Francis / Zachray query by Ina D. (Ashton) Breitenbach

*Ina D. (Ashton) Breitenbach, P.O. Box 1417, Placerville, CA
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Robert H. did not have any daughters.

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Caleb ZACHRAY was in the War of 1812, (National Archive.
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CRAWFORD BIBLE RECORDS - 1838

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following is from Ona D. (Ashton) Breitenbach, P.O. Box 1417, Placerville, CA 95667 - "First let me say the ARKANSAS FAMILY HISTORIAN is great! In appreciation I will contribute anything that may be of help to other in their family research.

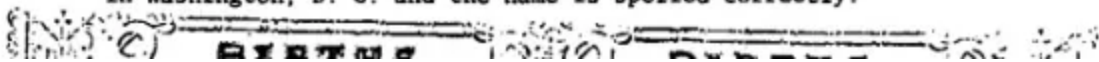
The Bible Records are of a family who came from North West Arkansas. John Francis CRAWFORD and Almira ZACHRAY (my great grandparents). I am also enclosing a Query with brief information.

CRAWFORD Ina D. (Ashton) Breitenbach, P.O. Box 1417, Placerville, CA
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” Bible Images followed query

Births

Layfayette Crawford October 14th 1838

B. A. Crawford was born January 21st 1840

E. F. Crawford was born July 31st 1842

A. J. and A. N. Crawford was born December 26th A.D. 1844

Robert H. Crawford was born December 31st A.D. 1846

Malinda F. Crawford February 28th 1849

Marie Antoinette Crawford was born October 25th A.D. 1850

William Crawford was born December 1th AD 1853

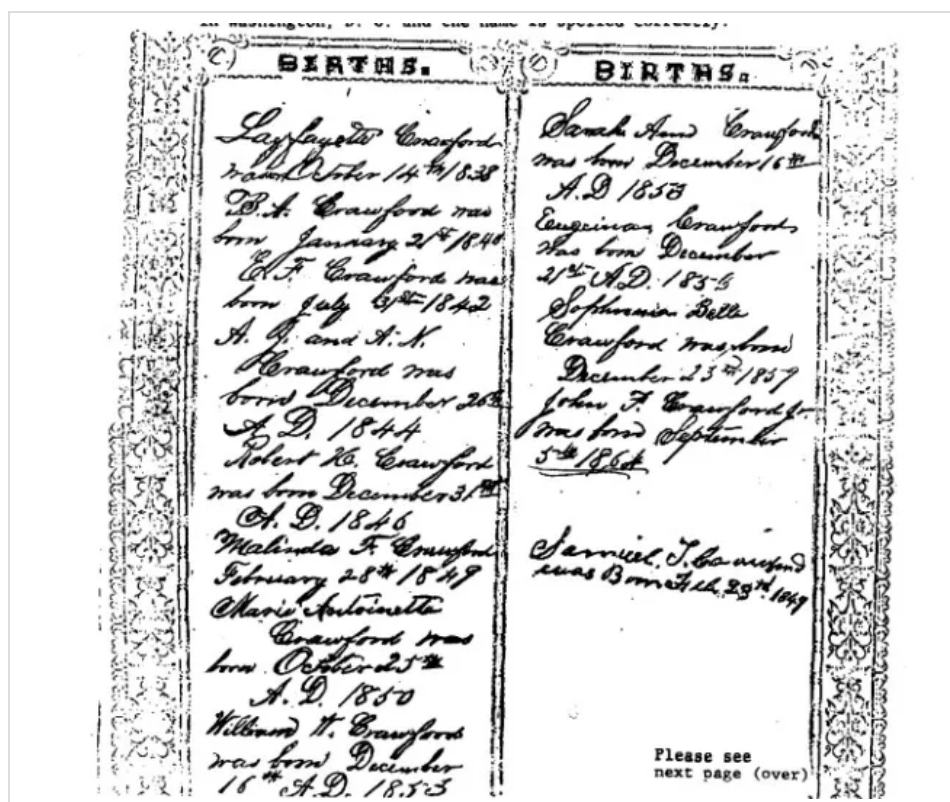
Births Column 2

Sarah Ann Crawford was born December 16th AD 1853

Eugein Crawford was born December 21st AD 185

Sophronia Belle Crawford was born December 23rd 185

John F. Crawford was born September 5th 1864



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Crawford Bible Records (con't page 2)

Parents

Father

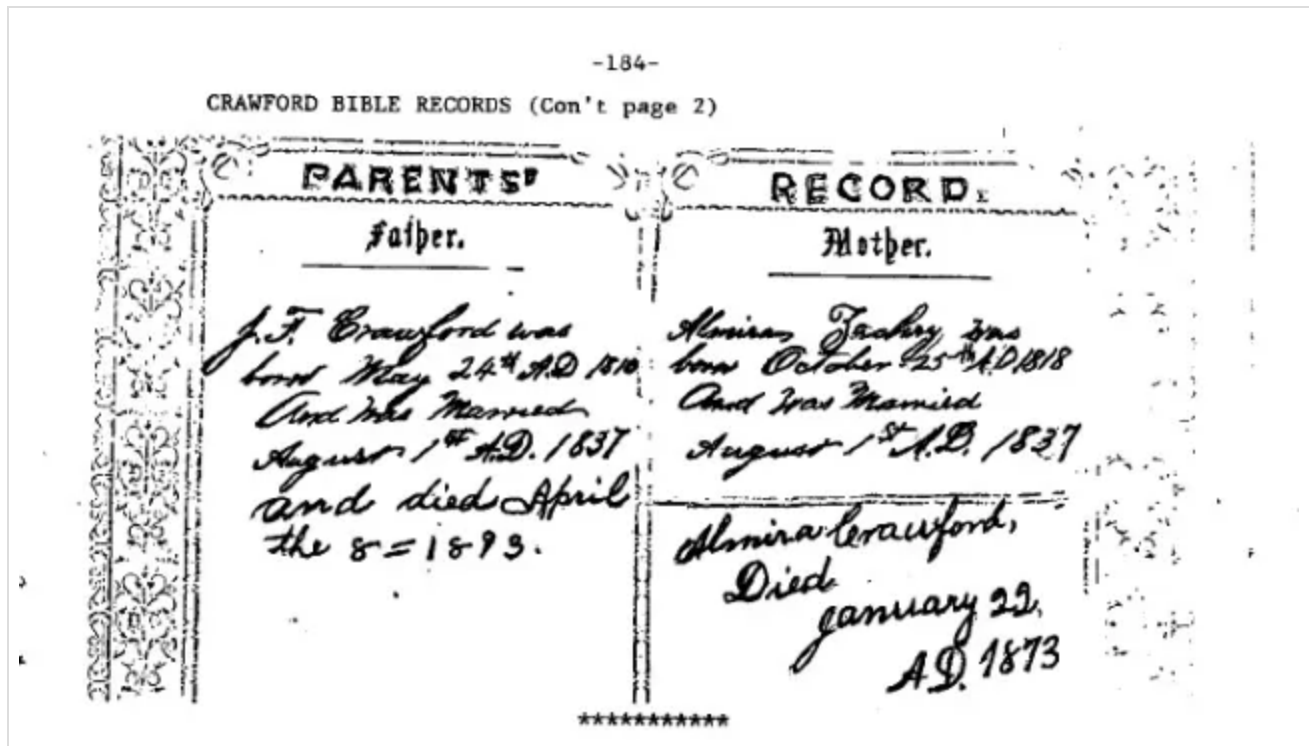
J. F. Crawford was born May 24th AD 1810

and was married

August 1st A.D. 1837
and died April
the 8 1893

Mother

Almira Zachry was
born October 25th AD 1818
and was married
August 1st A.D. 1837
Almira Crawford
died
January 2 A.D. 1873



While some of the information in the story is similar to a family tree, it was worth the time to locate the images from the Bible. Now to just prove that this line connects to my Garrard County, KY Crawford families.



Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 23, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, PENNSYLVANIA

Have you collected lots of files while researching your family history? Having spent over 40 years researching my family tree, I have collected a lot of paper and am collecting a lot of digital files. One of my 2022 goals was to go thru some of that paper research. This review has allowed me to

- discard some (Yes, I'm throwing it out! — But think of how one did census research in the 1980s compared to now. I don't need those paper transcriptions when I've gone back and attached an image of the census file to my source along with a transcription.)
- shared some as my Friday blog posts
- updated the sourcing I have in RootsMagic to current standards
- transcribed deeds and wills so I could include the transcription in the source citation and in research notes

Am I done? NO! I'm not even close. But it is a start.

Today's Friday Finds comes from my Crawford-Pennsylvania folder. While I currently can't place my particular branch of the CRAWFORD family in Pennsylvania, I likely did not know that in 1987. In the summer of 1987, my husband and I went on a vacation with my parents that took us through Salt Lake City for a few days before venturing north into Idaho to cross the Teton mountains to Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

While in Salt Lake, we spent the days in the family history library where my parents assisted me with my research with each researching their own branch of my tree. Thus, the notes for the Crawford family in Pennsylvania are in my dad's handwriting.

SEARCH SHEET	
Source <u>Biog. Annals of Lancaster Co PA</u>	Depository <u>974.915/D36 W1F2</u>
Surnames <u>Crawford</u>	Date searched <u>7-18-87</u>
p110 Solomon Schnader married Elizabeth Jane Crawford, a daughter of James & Mary (Bothwell) Crawford, who came to this country from County Tyrone, Ireland, about the year 1800, and settled in what is now Crawford Co, Ohio	

While there isn't enough information to create a footnote for this source, there is enough information to locate the book, Biographical Annals of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania:

- on Archive.org
- on Ancestry
- on FamilySearch
- on Google Books

Thus, I can create a full footnote for this information and take advantage of OCR (optical character recognition) capabilities to search inside of the book. Such a search reveals that there were multiple CRAWFORD entries in this book while my father only recorded one. I'm guessing that I had figured out that my ancestor was named James and my father focused in on that name.

Using the Ancestry version of the book, I found the entry for Solomon Schnader on page 110 in a section on the Schneider (or Snader) family.

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OF LANCASTER COUNTY

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(2) Marv Ann Schnader is the wife of John

Also in the book is a biography of John CRAWFORD and his father, Oliver, who (according to the biography) have Irish roots. This biography begins on page 1260 and continues on page 1261.

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John Crawford, a retired farmer of Colerain township, Lancaster county, was born on his present farm Nov. 4, 1823, his parents being Oliver and Martha (Walker) Crawford, old time families in both Lancaster and Chester counties.

Oliver Crawford was born at the family home in Colerain township as early as 1794, and his wife Martha Walker, in Chester county in 1799. Mr. Crawford was the son of John Crawford who was born in County Derry, Ireland, and who came to this country when a young man, and took part

in the Revolutionary War, being with Washington at Valley Forge. After the war he married a Miss Bunting, and established the home where John Crawford now lives. When he secured it he found wild land on his hands, and by hard and tremendous work he cleared up a farm which has remained in his family to the present day. The stone house and barn which he erected are still in use. Here John Crawford and his wife died. They were the second family to locate in this section. The Crawfords

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were Presbyterians in their faith. To John Crawford and his wife were born two sons and two daughters: William who moved to Ohio when a young man, married there and became the father of a numerous family; Mary A. married a Mr. Campbell, and moved with him to Baltimore, where he died, leaving no children; Polly died at the home unmarried; and Oliver, the father of John, received but a meagre schooling when a boy, and began life for himself as a farmer on the old homestead.

When Oliver Crawford was married to Martha Walker, they settled on the old Crawford homestead, and there they lived and died. His death occurred in 1841, and her death in 1861, his father dying the same year with Oliver. Oliver and his wife were the parents of the following family: Ellen married Frederick McClellan, and settled on his farm, where she died leaving a family, three of whom live in Chester county, and John, in Chicago; Mary A. married James McClellann, and lived in Colerain township, where she died leaving one daughter, Martha, who is now the wife of Joseph Richardson, of New Jersey; Jane married James Palock, of Chester county, and died leaving two children, James and Martha, both of Oxford; Amanda married Robert Black, and is deceased. Hannah married Silas Williams, and they reside in Colerain township; Samuel, deceased, married Mary J. Cooper, and located in Chester county, but while visiting in Philadelphia he died, leaving three children, Thomas who lives in Oxford, Elizabeth who lives in Chester county, and Martha, wife of C. McClellan; Elkahah died unmarried; and John.

John Crawford whose name introduces this article ...

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While my father took the Schnader notes, it appears that I didn't enter this information in my genealogy file. Perhaps that is because it is another James Crawford that I can't link to my branch of the tree. Nor, do I have this particular Oliver Crawford in my files. Since current research and yDNA results point to Virginia and Scotland, I'm not sure how Oliver Crawford and his father John would connect to the larger Crawford tree. Thus, this particular piece of Crawford history may stay hidden in my files until I can prove a link to early Pennsylvania, Ireland or this branch of the Crawford tree.



Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 24, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Santa Again Brings Joy

Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)

22 Dec 1941

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Throngs in Seneca Last Saturday

Were it not for the calendar which shows that Thursday is Christmas, boys and girls could scarcely believe that important date is so near. It was as pleasant and warm out in the open Saturday as on a September day.

But there was another proof Saturday that Christmas is just around the corner. That proof was none other than Santa Claus himself, here for his second personal appearance. Now there remains the visit that he makes on Christmas Eve when boys and girls are asleep.

Saturday was a happy day in Seneca. People are more or less getting over the first strain of war days and with the pleasant day, they thronged the streets and the stores, getting in here and there, old-time visiting. For the youngsters, there was a program at the city hall, attended by another fine crowd; the thrill of seeing Santa Claus, the thrill of a nice package of candy for each.

The program was presented by Sts. Peter and Paul school, Seneca.

Santa has had many helpers this year beside his sponsors. To mention a few, the wives of councilmen; a group of girls from each school; city police; Charlie Rucker and others from the fire department.



Christmas Carols

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 25, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: UNCATEGORIZED

Merry Christmas

Do you have a favorite Christmas song or carol?

My all time favorite is O Holy Night. I'm not sure why this song is my favorite but it may involve the piano. Growing up, my mother would play Christmas carols during the holidays. When I learned to play the piano, this was one of the carols that I also learned to play — and was the only one I practiced.



<https://youtube.com/watch?v=646k9QfzY2E>



Over the years, I've enjoyed a wide variety of Christmas music. A couple of my favorites a by Chris Tomlin.



<https://youtube.com/watch?v=5Vwu-t7QRaE>





<https://youtube.com/watch?v=br-Ql1zVcUc>



During 2020, the musicians at the church I attend (online) did a special Advent program that I still often go back and listen to.



https://youtube.com/watch?v=EQRDRB_Teyo



May you have a wonderful holiday!

Surname Tree

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 26, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: #52ANCESTORS

When do you take down your Christmas decorations? While I know that technically, the Christmas season lasts into January, I've never been able to leave my decorations up that long. Instead, I tend to take them down and put them away shortly after Christmas.

While I may be taking down my decorations today, I'm going to continue a Christmas theme by sharing my 'surname tree'.



Reece or Reed

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 27, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: BUCKLES, JENNINGS COUNTY, REED

Have you ever used an Ancestry record hint to locate a record on Family Search? If so, did locating that actual record help document your ancestor or bring confusion?

I recently was working thru Ancestry hints for my ancestor, John Reed who married Mary Buckles Rogers. I already had several sources for their 1822 marriage. However, there was an Ancestry hint in the 'Indiana, U.S., Marriages, 1810-2001' database for an 1822 marriage in Indiana between Mary Rogers and John Reece. While the date and place matched what I already had, the spelling of John's surname did not match.

Detail	Source
Name:	John Reece
Gender:	Male
Event Type:	Marriage Registration (Marriage)
Marriage Date:	2 Dec 1822
Marriage Place:	Indiana, United States
Spouse:	Mary Rogers
FHL Film Number:	000549409

Fortunately, this database included the Family History Library film number. Thus, I could search the catalog on the FamilySearch website for the film number to hopefully find an image of the marriage record.

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The search for the film number took me to the page for ‘Marriage records, 1818-1888’ for Jennings County, Indiana. Towards the bottom of that page is the list of available film containing these marriage records.

Marriage records, 1818-1888

Add to Print List

Authors: Jennings County (Indiana). County Clerk (Main Author)
Jennings County (Indiana). County Clerk (Repository)

Format: Manuscript/Manuscript on Film

Language: English

Publication: Indianapolis, Indiana : Indiana Exchange, 1968

Physical: 5 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.

References: (Digital Collection) Indiana marriages : COLLECTION
RECORD, 1811-2007 / Indiana. County Courts

Notes

Indiana Marriages, 1811-2007 are available online, click here.

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Includes index.





View this catalog record in WorldCat for other possible copy locations

Subjects

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United States, Indiana, Jennings - Vital records

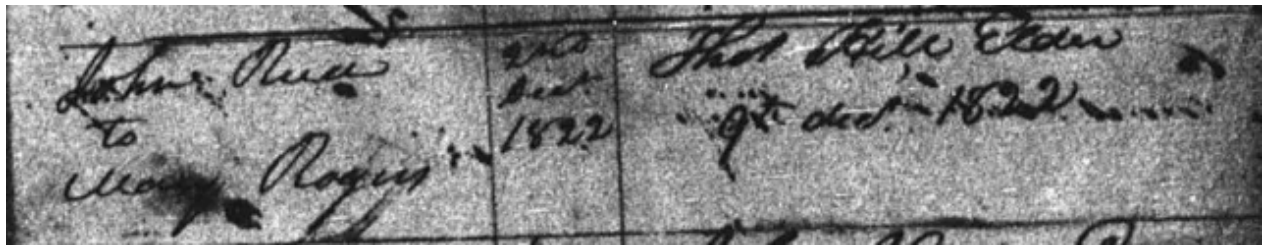
Film/Digital Notes

Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	Image Group Number (DGS)	Format
Marriage records, 1818-1845.	Family History Library	United States & Canada 2nd Floor Film	549409	4714738	 
Marriage records, 1845-1858.	Family History Library	United States & Canada 2nd Floor Film	549410	4263797	 
Marriage records, 1858-1866.	Family History Library	United States & Canada 2nd Floor Film	549411	4714739	 

Since the results includes the magnifying glass icon, an index has been created for the film. Thus, I can search the index versus scrolling thru the film to locate the marriage record. When I entered Mary Rogers in the name fields and 1822 in the field for a marriage year, two entries were found. The first entry as a 'bride' included a link to the image and the information in the index for this marriage (record details).

Checking the record details, I find similar information to what was in the Ancestry database.

Clicking on the image, I can see why someone might index it as Reece.



This record came up as a hint for John Reed (not Reece) and fits with everything I know about John and Mary Reed. Because the handwriting could be interpreted as Reece or Reed, this record has been attached to two different Mary Rogers.

Mary Rogers

Marriage • Indiana Marriages, 1811-2019

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SHARE

<p>Name John Reece</p> <p>Sex Male</p> <p>Spouse's Name Mary Rogers</p> <p>Spouse's Sex Female</p> <p>Officiator's Name Thos Hill</p>	<p>Attached in Family Tree to</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <div style="margin-left: 5px;"> <p>Mary Buckles</p> <p>1792-1867 • KLVH-CFM</p> </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="margin-left: 5px;"> <p>Mary Rogers</p> <p>1814-Deceased • LWZP-J9D</p> </div> </div>
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- Mary Buckles who married John Rogers before marrying John Reed
- Mary Rogers of Columbiana, Ohio

Of course, I think I'm right in interpreting the record as John Reed. However, I need to build a 'proof argument' before trying to convince those working on the profile of Mary Rogers that the record does not apply to their Mary.

Reed of Clinton County

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 28, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CLINTON COUNTY IN, REED

Have you had the good fortune of finding a multigenerational biography for an ancestor that includes lots of hints about the family structure, military service and the purchase of land? Well, that is what I found for John C. Reed in the [History of Clinton County, Indiana](#).

John C. Reed



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John C. Reed, deceased, was a native of New York State, born on the Genesee River in 1787. His father came to this country with a regiment of Hessians, who came in the interest of the Queen; but upon arriving here he joined the American army and served through the Revolutionary war. John came to the Territory of Indiana in 1812 with the family of James Buckles, settling in Jennings County and remaining there several years. He married Mary Buckles, a daughter of James Buckles, who came from England. He belonged to the nobility and brought a permit from the Queen to preempt any amount of land in Virginia, but being opposed to the curse of slavery he freed his slaves and emigrated to Indiana. Three of his slaves refused to leave him, and he provided them with a quarter-section of land in his new county. He preempted a township which he divided among his children, and he and his wife are buried upon the place he selected for his home. He will long be remembered as one of the enterprising early settlers of Indiana. They were the parents of five sons

and five daughters; all were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. After his marriage John settled upon the land entered by his

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father-in-law, and lived upon it until 1844, when he came to Clinton County and entered 300 acres of Government land in Sugar Creek township, and began to improve his future home. He hauled lumber from Indianapolis with which to build his house. The nearest mill was at Eagle Village. Mr. and Mrs. Reed were the parents of eleven children — Samuel (deceased), James M., George M., C. W., Francis (deceased) Ann, Mary, Elizabeth, Celia, Martha and Arrilda M. Both were members of the Methodist Episcopal church. At the age of sixty-five years, when the country needed brave and true men, Mr. Reed went out in defense of his country. He enlisted in 1862 in the Seventh Indiana Cavalry. He died in the hospital at Memphis, Tennessee, just after receiving an honorable discharge. His wife survived him two years. C. W. Reed, son of the preceding, farmer and stock-raiser, Michigan Township, was born in Jennings County, Indiana. on the farm entered by his grandfather, June 23, 1833. When nine years of age he came with his father's family to Clinton Co, where his youth was spent in assisting his father in clearing and improving his farm. He resided with his father until his marriage to Agnes W. Moncrief, of Jefferson County, Indiana, which occurred November 17, 1852. He then settled upon his present farm, which was entered by a man named Spencer. It was then a dense wilderness. He has cleared and improved it, and has a fine residence. They have five children — Willis R., William S., Frank S., Emma L. and Bird M. He lost his wife April 6, 1881, and was again married in March, 1882, to Miss Frances smiley, who was born in Carroll County. Her father died when she was an infant, and her mother afterward married R. S. Irwin. One child was born to this union. Mr. Reed has a fine farm of 145 acres, well cultivated. He is a member of the Baptist church, and his wife of the Presbyterian church. He affiliates with the Republican party.

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Additional clues about the REED family are found in the entry for John Ricketts in the Clinton county history.

” *John Ricketts was born in Fleming County, Kentucky, November 22, 1812, a son of Edward and Sarah (Story) Ricketts, also natives of Fleming County. When he was eighteen years old his parents moved to Rush County, Indiana, and entered a farm from the Government. From Rush County our subject came to Clinton County, and entered 200 acres of Government land and cleared a spot where he built his house, but two years later moved to another part of the land which was part prairie. He has added to his first entry from time to time until he now owns 357 acres. In 1883 he built his present commodious frame house, and his other farm buildings are comfortable and convenient. He has always been a hard-working man and is rewarded by having a competency for his declining years. Mr. Ricketts was married December 3, 1846, to Orilda Matilda Reed, who was born in Jennings County, Indiana, January 20, 1828, a daughter of John and Mary (Buckles) Reed. They have had eleven children-James M., born November 28, 1847; Priscilla J., born October 10, 1849, is the wife of John Lonks, Mary A., born October 7, 1851, is the wife of James P. Bond; William L., born April 18, 1855; John E., born July 1, 1857; Nathan, born November 27, 1859, died July 5, 1862; Joseph H., born October 28, 1861 ; C. W., born June 30, 1863; Sarah, born July 7, 1865; Addie M., born March 18, 1867; Charles W., born October 9, 1869. Mr.*

Ricketts in politics is a Republican. He and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mrs. Ricketts's father was born in the State of New York in 1800, and when a young man accompanied his father's family to Jennings County, Indiana. He enlisted in the war of the Rebellion, and died in the hospital at Memphis, Tennessee, August 15, 1865. Her mother was born near Shepardstown, Virginia, December 6, 1792, and was first married to John H. Rodgers, who was born January

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3, 1787, and died December 2, 1821, and she then married Mr. Reed, and to them were born six children—Cecilia F., Martha J., Orilda M., George W., Charles W. and Francis M. The mother died February 14, 1867.

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2022 Goals Summary

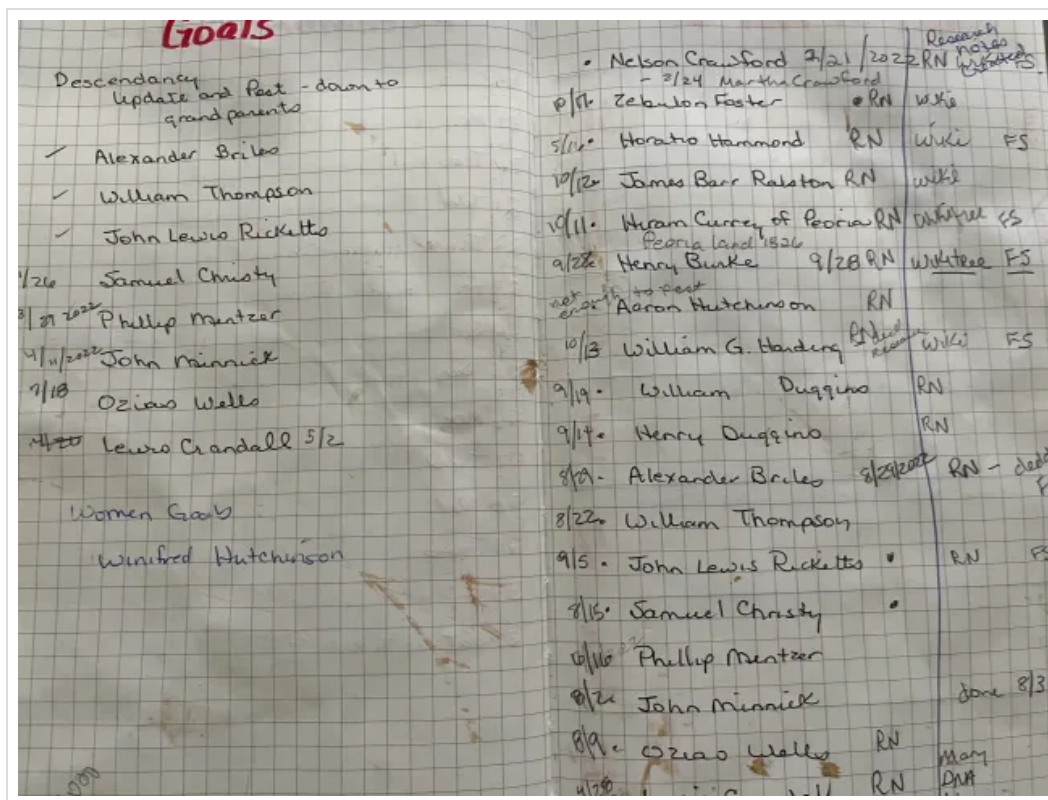
BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 29, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: GOALS

Do you make annual goals for your genealogy research? I have to admit that prior to retirement I didn't. But, then my research time was often limited and I likely would not have met those goals. While I don't follow the 'Smart Goals' method of writing my goals, my abbreviated goals are usually specific and manageable over the year.

While I outlined my goals in a blog post, I used an abbreviated version in my journal. Over the year, those two pages have been referred to on almost a daily basis and have kept me on track.



I finished up this research in October and have been researching my Crawford line and FAN club since then while pondering my goals for 2023. I shared most of my progress on this blog.

Descendancy Research

- Alexander Briles
- William Thompson
- John Lewis Ricketts
- Samuel Christy
- Phillip Mentzer
- John Minnick
- Ozias Wells
- Lewis Crandall

Narrative Reports

- Nelson Crawford and Martha Smith
- Zebulon Foster and Caroline Ostrander
- Horatio Hammond and Louisa Fisk
- James Barr Ralston and Nancy Jane McCormick
- Hiram M. Currey (of Peoria) and Rachel Harris
- Henry F Burke and Elizabeth Ann Bland
- Aaron Hutchinson and Sarah Merry – not enough information to create a post
- William Gillies Harding and Elizabeth Fowler
- Alexander Briles and Sarah Rush
- William Taylor Thompson and Polly Ann Evans
- John Lewis Ricketts and Orilda Matilda Reed
- Samuel Christy and Lyda Gallimore
- Phillip Andrew Mentzer and Orinda Miles
- John Minnick and Elizabeth Mary Jones
- Ozias Wells and Mary Kennedy
- Lewis Crandall and Almira Nafus
- William Duggins
- Henry Duggins

Since I finished the above goals early, I expanded my list to include some of the SELLERS family. James Sellers married Mary Crawford in Lincoln County, Kentucky in 1791. William Sellers married Sarah Crawford in Lincoln County Kentucky in 1796. It is believed that Mary

and Sarah are sisters to the James Crawford who married Martha Knight. Thus, these two families have CRAWFORD connections.

- James Sellers and Mary Crawford
- William Sellers and Sarah Crawford

Friday Finds

While I haven't done a good job of cleaning up my files, I have used those files to create a post sharing some of those files each Friday.

Crawford Research / yDNA

While I haven't done much digging in Virginia records, I have been doing some Crawford research. As I've reviewed my previous research, I have expanded my fan club. In addition, thanks to my mother, I have been able to sponsor two big Y DNA tests. The first was of one of my brothers and the more recent one was of a 4th cousin. Thus, some of my recent research has been to make sure the documentation of my 4th cousin's line is solid. While we are awaiting my 4th cousin's placement on the block tree, my brothers have been placed in the R1b-01A Ardmillan group of Crawford yDNA. I am very thankful that the CRAWFORD yDNA project seems to be very active and has an excellent administrator!

Blog

While this is an area that I have let slide, a commentator on my blog has provided a solution to make this process easier. I just need to quit procrastinating and check out the solution and get it done!

FamilySearch Memories

This is another area where I am not very successful. While, I've tried to complete this task as I've worked each ancestor, I haven't documented that progress in my journal. Thus, I need to

do a better job at not only completing this task but documenting tat completion.

Overall, I feel like I've accomplished a lot in 2022 and look forward to setting my 2023 goals and working to accomplish them.

Friday Finds

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 30, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: CRAWFORD, PENNSYLVANIA

Do you have any notes in your file without the title of the source or other information to write a citation? That's what I found when going back thru some of my old files.

The notes in question were recorded by my father on a vacation when we stopped in Salt Lake City during a family vacation.

SEARCH SHEET		
Source <u>Lancaster Co Penn</u>	Depository <u>SLC 9748/V27</u>	
Surnames <u>Crawford</u>	Date searched <u>7-18-87</u>	
Andrew & Judith Smith	19 Nov 1770	
" & Sarah Jones	10 Oct 1761	
Ann & William Shaw	1 Feb 1763	
Christopher & Mary Culp	23 Dec 1769	
David & Lydia Lloyd	5 Aug 1766	
Eliph Elizabeth Stout	1 May 1778	
Elizabeth & James Shannon	10 Feb 1774	
Samuel & Elizabeth Barnett	2 Dec 1761	
Frances James Kelly	1 Dec 1770	
James Catharine Howell	2 March 1762	
James Ruth Doyle	4 Oct 1768	
Jane Robert Pike	24 Nov 1772	
Martha Robert Dadds	29 Sept 1773	
Mary Robert Canger	7 April 1763	
Moses Jane Jamison	12 March 1767	
Peter	— April 1746	
William Ann Hines	4 Dec 1771	

Based on the notes, I think these are notes of marriages, but that is just a guess. I'm also guessing that the surname for everyone in the first column is Crawford. However, unless I can find the source, I don't know for sure.

Since I do have the call number, I was hoping that I could locate the source to verify the notes. Thankfully, FamilySearch allows one to search their catalog by call number.

Steps to Search by Call Number [\[edit | edit source \]](#)

1. Go to [FamilySearch Catalog](#).
2. Click **Places** to close the Places Search.
3. Click **Call Number Search** to open it.
4. Type a Call number (see note above).
5. Click **Search**.
6. A list of titles will appear.
7. Click on a title for more information about that book.

Using these directions, I searched the FamilySearch catalog for 974.8/V2n. This search produced a list of six books.

Search Results for FamilySearch Catalog

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	Print List
Names of persons for whom marriage licenses were issued in the Province of Pennsylvania previous to 1790 Author: Pennsylvania. Provincial Secretary's Office Call Number: 974.8 V2n 1963	Add
Pennsylvania marriages prior to 1790 : names of persons for whom marriage licenses were issued in the province of Pennsylvania previous to 1790 Author: Egle, William Henry, 1830-1901; Linn, John Blair, 1831-1899 Call Number: 974.8 V2n 1976	Add
Pennsylvania marriages prior to 1790 : names of persons for whom marriage licenses were issued in the province of Pennsylvania previous to 1790 Author: Egle, William Henry, 1830-1901; Linn, John Blair, 1831-1899 Call Number: 974.8 V2n 1984	Add
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Unfortunately, none of these books have been digitized.

Thus, I have some notes with no idea which book they came from.

Andrew	Judith Smith	10 Nov 1770
Andrew	Sarah James	10 Oct 1761
Ann	William Shaw	1 Feb 1763
Christopher	Mary Culp	23 Dec 1769
David	Lydia Lloyd (RM Record #11331)	5 Aug 1766
Elijah	Elizabeth Stout	1 May 1778
Elizabeth	James Shannon	10 Feb 1774
Samuel	Elizabeth Barnett	2 Dec 1761
Frances	James Kelly	1 Dec 1770
James	Catharine Howell (RM Record #22199)	2 March 1762
James	Ruth Doyle	4 Oct 1768
Jane	Robert Poke	24 Nov 1772
Martha	Robert Dodds	29 Sep 1773
Mary	Robert Cooper	7 April 1763
Moses	Jane Jamison	12 March 1767
Peter		April 1746
William	Ann Hines	4 Dec 1771

A quick search of my RootsMagic file revealed that I already have two of these couples in my file: David married Lydia Lloyd; and James married Catharine Howell. Unfortunately, I don't have any sources for the marriage fact.

When I looked up Lydia Lloyd and Catharine Howell on FamilySearch, both had sources attached to the marriage fact. Following the links for those sources, I think I found the source attached to Catharina Howell!

62	PENNSYLVANIA MARRIAGES.
1761, Dec.	2. Crawford, Samuel, and Elizabeth Barnett.
1770, Dec.	1. Crawford, Frances, and James Kelly
1762, M'ch	2. Crawford, James, and Catharine Howell.
1768, Oct.	4. Crawford, James, and Ruth Doyle.
1772, Nov.	24. Crawford, Jane, and Robert Poke.
1773, Sep.	29. Crawford, Martha, and Robert Dodds.
1763, Apr.	7. Crawford, Mary, and Robert Cooper.
1767, M'ch	12. Crawford, Moses, and Jane Jamison.
1746, Apr.	—. Crawford, Peter.
1771, Dec.	4. Crawford, William, and Ann Hines.
1746, Dec.	—. Craypeel, Nicholas, and Margaret Feghlyn.
1774, Sep.	1. Creagh, Thomas, and Ann Nelson.
1764, July	30. Creag, James, and Elizabeth Wilkinson.
1767, July	8. Creddock, Elizabeth, and William Hawkins.
1762, M'ch	3. Creemer, Hannah, and Matthew Cardwell.
1766, Feb.	6. Green, Eleanor, and John Shepard.
1769, June	9. Creesmer, Mary, and Jacob Hill.
1760, Sept.	23. Creighton, Ann, and Cornelius Tucker.
1772, Oct.	10. Creighton, James, and Catharine McCann.
1776, M'ch	6. Creps, Mary, and John Kungils.

Thus, I think the citation for Catharina Howell may identify the source my father used.

“Pennsylvania, County Marriages, 1885-1950,” database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://www.familysearch.org/ark:/61903/1:1:Q285-FBH2> : 22 July 2021), James Crawford and Catharine Howell, 2 Mar 1762; citing Marriage, Pennsylvania, British Colonial America, multiple County Clerks, Pennsylvania.

While I’m still not positive of the source my dad used, I can use the source, *Pennsylvania Marriages, 1709-1940*, to document these two marriages in my file.

Saturday Tidbits

BY MARCIA CRAWFORD PHILBRICK

/ DECEMBER 31, 2022

/ CATEGORIES: NEMAHA COUNTY

Two Wounded One Captured

Courier Tribune (Seneca, KS)

18 Dec 1941

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Nemaha County Gets Word of Casualties

Two sailors wounded, one captured. That is the record of the first casualties touching Nemaha county.

The Courier-Tribune's Centralia correspondent learns that Harold Wiseman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wiseman, Axtell, formerly of Centralia, was wounded in the action at Pearl Harbor. No more details are available and it is presumed in this office the Wisemans received a brief war department message.

The same sort of notice was received by Alyce Haffner, Bern, who got a war department card Sunday stating her son had been wounded, though not seriously.

The captured sailor is Donal Adain Binns, Navy officer at Guam. The Japanese have been claiming the seizure of Guam. Binns' wife is the former Eunice Schmidt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Schmidt, 2915 N. 31st, Kansas City. Mrs. Binns is a niece of Fred, Herman and Otto Schmidt, Centralia. Donald Binns was discharged from the Navy and then married Miss

Schmidt at Bremerton, Washington. After two weeks liberty, he was called back to Naval service and sent to Guam. Mrs. Binns, has not seen him for a year. She is with her parents in Kansas City.

